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50,000 SPANISH REDS COMING TO U.S. BORDER

DEL VAYO AND NEGRIN ARRANGING TO SETTLE REFUGEES IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, MEXICO—Fifty thousand "refugees" from Red Spain, now herded in concentration camps in France, are to be transferred to the northern districts of Mexico—just across the border from the United States.

Dr. Juan Negrin and Julio Alvarez del Vayo, premier and foreign minister of Red Loyalist Spain, are now in Mexico to complete the arrangement. (See story on Page 7.)

Del Vayo has just finished a speaking tour of the United States, ostensibly to raise money for the Spanish refugees. Actually, his talks were planned to spread Communist propaganda to counteract the exposure on every hand of Moscow's influence and direction of the Red terror in Loyalist Spain.

Dolores Ibarruri, the notorious "La Passionaria," and the Butcher Bela Kun (in his new incarnation), with whom the fugitive Spanish leaders frequently conferred, remained behind in the United States to continue their work for the Red cause.

Bela Kun (Cohen), for months, has been reported as living *incognito* in various American cities working with Communist leaders in preparing for "the revolution."

"La Passionaria," who boasts that she enjoys "the personal friendship of the family in the White House," hides her identity under an alias so as not to embarrass American friends.

Leon Trotzky, self-appointed leader of the Fourth International, working for the world revolution, already has prepared the way for the Spanish recruits in Mexico. During his residence here, Trotzky has enjoyed the close counsel and co-operation of the heads of the Mexican government.

Trotzky's well-advertised split with the Communist G.H.Q. in Moscow is more imagined than real. It is useful as propaganda to feed gullible Americans to say that the "humanitarian objectives of M. Trotzky's Fourth International" have nothing to do with the terrible commissars of Soviet Russia or the Comintern which they shelter.

But, whatever the personal feuds of rival leaders like Stalin and Trotzky, no leader of Communists working for the world revolution — whether Earl Browder or Leon Trotzky — will defy orders from "headquarters."

FROM THE TOWER
By Father Coughlin

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By Ben Marcin

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SHRINE DINNER CHATS

By Father Coughlin

TODAY I PUSHED back my chair and listened to one of our distinguished guests as he described a recent session of a Dies Committee hearing.

When he concluded he produced a *Congressional Record* of June 2nd and asked me to read some remarks printed on that date by Congressman Thorkelson.

I believe that it would be of interest to print them in full. They are as follows:

"Wednesday, May 31, it was my pleasure to attend a session of the Dies Committee on un-American Activities, and imagine my surprise when I found it to be a trial instead of an investigation. It was a trial of a patriotic citizen who did not have the benefit of counsel. I regret to make this statement, but the trial was, to say the least, extremely unfair.

"General Moseley, with two Distinguished Service citations by Congress, was not permitted to present his evidence. I should say not. That might have exposed some of the higher Communists. He was instead instructed by the chairman to answer questions asked by a young interrogator, Mr. Whitley. As I listened to the testimony, I learned that General Moseley had evidently been 'tailed,' his mail opened, photographed, and that he had been 'dictographed' as well. He had been treated to the same dose as a Member of Congress who had a dictograph placed in his room in the House Building—*Evening Star,* May 31.

"Congress, of course, appropriated money to the Post Office Department to have snoopers open our mail and photograph it. We recently appropriated $300,000 to the F.B.I., which is evidently used to spy upon us, the people, and install dictographs in our offices, and I presume eventually in our homes. What a smell of the OGPU!

"I suggest that the Dies Committee investigate these Russian activities, for they are certainly not only un-American but in addition most foul and putrid, and, of course, a realistic and true picture of the Asiatic Communism as practiced in those countries that subscribe to it.

"Well, the whole procedure was a grand farce. The first day the questioner attempted to smear General Moseley and at the same time whitewash or protect the invisible government and 'hoi polloi' in Communism. No attempt was made to investigate the Communists. Certainly not. There is no reason for that, because there are too many of them, so they are too easy to find.

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"The second day of General Moseley's trial was a repetition of the first. General Moseley was asked questions by the inquisitor, Mr. Whitley, concerning letters and episodes which no one could be expected to remember. After having tried to recall, or I should say, rather, forced to answer by orders of the committee on the threat of contempt, General Moseley was then confronted with letters seized or photographed by the Intelligence Service—I hesitate to designate it thus. This material consisted of his personal letters, speeches, and correspondence of other persons. Paragraphs were selected from various communications—his own and others—and questions were asked by the interrogator, Mr. Whitley, or anyone on the committee—a sort of 'free-for-all' to smear General Moseley.

"When the General imparted information of value and it was not to the liking of the committee, it was ordered to be stricken from the record. I have seen many trials, but never one like this, in which every effort was made to keep evidence out of the record. To cap the climax, General Moseley's final statement was ordered stricken from the record *in toto*. This, in my opinion, was a grave error on the part of the committee, which I am sure it will regret some day. Everyone I saw afterward, and with whom I talked, seemed to have the impression that the committee acted under orders, or was not interested in obtaining information with respect to un-American activities. Whether this is true or not remains with the committee, but leaves a bad impression on those present when the nation's life and security are at stake. This is particularly true when we are right in the midst of un-American activities, or rather, Communistic activities. In this I include Socialism, which is the basic foundation of all so-called un-American activities. Communism is behind all the strikes and strife here in this country. The Communists are the ones who will destroy us if we continue to remain asleep.

"The Dies Committee was appointed by the Speaker, with the request and consent of the Congress of the United States. It follows, therefore, that Congress is responsible for the manner in which the investigation is conducted and also for the result obtained from such investigation. The taxpayers are being charged $100,000 so that this committee can obtain and discover the truth. Congress is responsible to these people and should, therefore, endeavor to determine the facts. The purpose of the committee is for investigation into the very roots of all un-American activities, and not what the committee thinks we ought to know. *The committee has no right to strike any evidence from the record, because all information belongs to Congress and the people.* The people in the United States today want the truth in its simple nakedness. This committee conducted a trial of General Moseley instead of an investigation, but the committee did not pronounce the sentence. They tried to prepare cause for punishment of the General, but instead of finding an 'un-American' they found a most sincere and loyal citizen and patriot.

"I regret to hold the viewpoint I do with respect to the activities of the committee, but I am here as a representative of the people of my State, and in the interest of all the people of the United States, but not as a convenience to departments or bureaus in this planned government."

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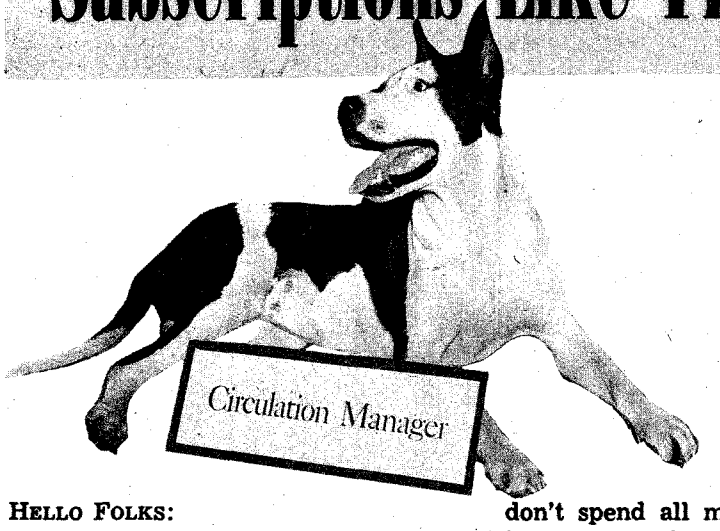
Subscriptions Like Flowers



HELLO FOLKS:

Who was it said "What is so rare as a day in June?" Boy, he really had something there. I could stand 365 days in the year just like this one—and for more than one reason.

Not only is the day perfect as far as the weather is concerned, but I'm just about the happiest, most contented, peaceful Great Dane in the world just this minute. No doubt you can guess why—'n you're quite right. I've got a full stomach for one thing—and so has Pete, for another. Yes, we just got through having the most delicious, juicy bones we could ever hope for. Besides that, we had our fav'rite dessert—ice cream. Mmmmm—choc'late ice cream!

I s'pose you wonder why all the celebration. Well, I'm here to tell you that today is a big day in the Boss' life. Twenty-three years ago today he was ordained to the priesthood. Twenty-three years ago he started out on the long road that has led him into the homes and hearts of millions 'n millions of people. I don't know how you feel about it, but I think he's done a mighty fine job since his ordination, and I say congratulations are in order.

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We had a parish picnic the other day out at one of Oakland County's many lakes. Boy, did we have fun! The day was perfect. The sun was out and a real nice breeze was blowing and everybody was in a holiday mood.

There was somethin' doing all the time — races, swimming, baseball games 'n all sorts of amusements. Believe me, I was kept on the hop gettin' around to see them all in the short time I could be there.

I couldn't stay as long as I would've liked, but the Boss couldn't spare the whole day, having lots of work to do, so we stayed for just a cuppla hours 'n then hied ourselves home—tired, happy and very full.

Joe Louis may pack a mean wallop, but the ladies in our parish sure can pack the lunches!

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'Seems 'sif all I've done is eat, to hear me talk. Well, that was just on these two special occasions. Really, I don't spend all my time either eating or dreaming about eating bones 'n ice cream 'n sandwiches. I've been working, too.

I've been right on the job welcoming the tourists to the Shrine. I'm the official greeter. On Sundays I spend practically the whole day barking 'n wagging my tail, 'n if anybody thinks that isn't work, let 'em try it sometime. But really, I don't mind—I get a big kick out of meeting all the nice people who come here to see our Shrine. They're really swell 'n they've all been nice to me.

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The Boss is kept pretty busy these days what with his work on SOCIAL JUSTICE, his regular Sunday broadcasts and now the programs going over Station WHIP of Hammond, Indiana—two hours every day. He's a glutton for punishment, that man is.

In spite of all the extra work, he's finding time to take care of his own little garden. I thought he'd give that up for a bad job, but he's stickin' to it. It's coming along real nice, too.

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I wish the subscription list would grow like the weeds in the garden do. But subscriptions are like the flowers—they're hard to raise. It takes a lot of work 'n attention on the part of those int'rested to make things grow, doesn't it?

I wonder if I can ask you to become a worker in my garden 'n help me hoe my row. It looks too long for me to do alone, 'n the Boss can't help me—he's got too much to do as it is—'n besides, he says it's my job. But the weeds are gettin' ahead of me, folks, 'n if you don't help me to produce subscription flowers, I'll be disgraced.

I know you're all busy with lots of chores 'n all the things you have to do during the summer months, but won't you please take a little time off to take this subscription blank here 'n go out 'n dig up a new subscription for me? I'll 'preciate it more than I can tell you.

Let me hear from you soon, folks, won't you? I'll be awfully anxious 'til I do.

See you next week, as usual. Hope you'll have a rose for me by that time.

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Air Program Over WHIP Booms Paper

Enthusiastic Response to Daily Broadcasts

ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE is pouring in from all sections of Chicago, northern Illinois and Wisconsin to the radio programs of SOCIAL JUSTICE now being broadcast five times daily over Station WHIP, of Hammond, Indiana.

This is the first time the Sunday nationwide broadcasts of Father Coughlin have been supplemented by daily programs under the direction of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. Their success in Chicago will presage similar daily broadcasts in the New York, Boston and Detroit areas. Arrangements have already been completed for five brief announcements on Monday of each week over Station WHBI, of Newark, New Jersey.

Not only are the Chicago broadcasts rallying thousands of readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE, but recent correspondence and a flood of new subscriptions to the magazine indicate a steady growth in the station's audience as a result of "Voice of SOCIAL JUSTICE" popularity.

In order to make these programs the success aimed at when the WHIP time was purchased, all Chicago readers of the magazine are asked to induce their friends and relatives to listen in. On this page will be found a schedule of the five SOCIAL JUSTICE programs now being conducted from Monday morning through Saturday evening.

Listeners Like Organ Music

The "shut-in" program at 3 o'clock every afternoon is proving most popular with the thousands of Chicagoans who, through illness or affliction are confined to their homes or beds. One woman writes from a west-end hospital:

"How wonderful is the organ over your afternoon program at 3 o'clock! I have been ill in this hospital for the last four months. No other radio program has brought me the peace and solace of the half-hour from the studio of SOCIAL JUSTICE in Royal Oak."

A businessman on the north side writes:

"Now that WHIP has seen fit to cooperate with SOCIAL JUSTICE and Father Coughlin, I think its advertisers should be patronized by every Christian listener in its hearing territory. When we realize that other Chicago stations barred Father Coughlin from the air, we should on the other hand rally 'round a station which throws its facilities open to his Americanism and helps in the great national fight against the Reds.

"Let us all help out WHIP and those who advertise with it!"

A housewife on Torrance avenue waxes enthusiastic over the news comments coming from the studios of SOCIAL JUSTICE. She writes:

"Every noon and at six in the evening these nights my family and I listen in on your news comments. We have never heard anything like them from other commentators. I suppose it is because you give us the truth about what is happening instead of some hatched up propaganda chatter dished out by the Communist headquarters. The organ music is the best I have ever heard over any station. Hurray for WHIP and its managers who are helping the cause of social justice!"

Program Is Answer to Boycott Attempt

And so they go, letters from Chicagoans in all walks of life. The management of SOCIAL JUSTICE deeply appreciates this support and will bend every effort continuously to improve the programs. Owners of WHIP report that since the advent of SOCIAL JUSTICE programs new advertising accounts for the station have sprung up in the Chicago and Wisconsin area.

Because of its stand on Americanism and its acceptance of a contract for the weekly speeches of Father Coughlin, this station has been subjected to a cruel and unwarranted boycott by subversive interests in the Chicago territory. In order to offset this attitude fostered by a Red pressure group, all readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE are asked not only to recommend WHIP to others but to advertise with the station and to induce friends and relatives in the business world to consult the Chicago office of the station, 520 North Michigan Boulevard, on advertising rates, or to call the station at Hammond.

The amazing response accorded SOCIAL JUSTICE programs will have the natural result of greatly increasing the audience of WHIP with consequent benefit to all advertisers who contract for time.

Former Burlesque King Now Effects U. S. War Policies

Congressman Sol Bloom Fills In as Chairman of House Foreign Affairs

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The question of war or peace for the United States, the question of life or death for millions of young Americans, now lies in the hands of a man who ran a strip-tease show in the 1893 Chicago World's Fair.

The man is Sol Bloom, a former newsboy, brushmaker, bookkeeper, real estate speculator, and builder of New York City's largest burlesque theater. As acting Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee in the absence of Chairman Sam D. McReynolds, Bloom is in a position to tip the scales either way in the New Deal's slashing fight to torpedo the Neutrality Act.

It is not too much to say that as Bloom goes, so will go the nation. And how New York City's squat little Congressman intends to face the neutrality issue was clearly demonstrated last week when the Bloom bill came up before the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

The bill, it turned out, was nothing but a word-for-word rehash of the Roosevelt-Hull-Baruch policy, which calls for intervention in Europe on the side of the so-called democracies.

Since President Roosevelt and warmongering international financiers want the present arms embargo clause of the Neutrality Act dropped for a proviso that would allow America to ship unlimited arms and supplies to the French and British empires, Bloom obediently wrote up a bill containing the President's wishes and stampeded the first section of it through his committee by a vote of 15 to 2.

Mr. Bloom Plays a Crafty Game . . .

The Bloom bill put an inglorious end to the Sphinxian attitude Sol had adopted toward the neutrality issue now breaking out in full force in Congress. During the last few months in fact, all the while the foreign affairs issue had been gathering heat in Senate and House corridors, Bloom, for the first time in his life, had kept his mouth shut. By this strange (for him) act he had been able to create the impression that he was a sober statesman weighing all sides of the neutrality problem before making up his mind.

To Washington insiders, however, this was utter nonsense. They knew from the very beginning that Bloom, an ardent Jewish racist, would naturally support any program that favored the destruction of Germany, even at the cost of a new world war. His refusal to take a stand on neutrality until last week was merely a vicious attempt to delude the American electorate into believing he had chosen the war-inciting Roosevelt policy, not because he was a Jew, but because it was the "proper" course for America to follow.

Such are the methods Bloom employs to gain his political ends, the same methods which made him a rich man at the age of 20, a millionaire at 40, a corrupt Tammany Hall politician at 55, and now, at 69, the almighty acting Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Promoted 'Little Egypt' at World's Fair

Sol Bloom was born in Illinois in 1870, the son of Russian Jewish immigrants. He never had anything better than a public school education and at the age of 15 entered into the theater business in San Francisco. From here he transferred his activities to the Chicago World's Fair, where he set up a sideshow exhibit featuring a "cootch" dancer named Little Egypt, the Sally Rand of the Gay Nineties.

In the beginning of the twentieth century Bloom gave up strip-teasing for more profitable ventures and soon was the owner of a string of 25 various enterprises. By 1903 these had made him rich enough to move to New York, where he became a speculator in real estate values and a big-time constructor. In the latter capacity, he built many of the cheesy theaters along Forty-Second Street, which is notorious for its burlesque shows and flea circuses.

In 1920 Sol was fat, rich and fifty. Fed up with business he decided to retire and devote the rest of his life to public service. Three years later, after throwing a few generous "contributions" in the direction of Tammany Hall, he had himself elected Congressman from New York's 19th district.

Becomes the Buffoon of Capital Hill

Once in Washington, Bloom quickly established himself as the biggest buffoon in the history of American politics. In one of his first speeches in Congress *he offered to buy the Treasury and Post Office buildings from the government.*

A few years later, when the nation had grown tired of his buffoonery, Bloom hit upon a new way to get his name in the papers. He suddenly became patriotic. As head of the George Washington Bicentennial Committee, he spent more than $½-million of taxpayers' money in a vulgar attempt to "sell the First President to the American people." One of his stunts in connection with this campaign was a National Letter Writing Contest for Illiterates, which was called off after Bloom learned that illiterates could neither read nor write.

In 1937 he again broke into the headlines as Chairman of the United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission, an official government committee which sold thousands of metal shrines displaying miniature copies of the Constitution and Declaration of Independence to schools.

Bloom's Greatest Passion Is Foreign Affairs

"Patriotism," however, is not the only subject that has engrossed Bloom during his 16 years in Congress. Among other things he has shown a lively interest in the economic causes of the depression. After a long study of the problem he recently made the startling announcement that "unemployment could be cured by publicity."

But Bloom's greatest passion has always been international relations. The moment he arrived in Washington in 1923 he went to John L. Garner, then Democratic minority leader in the House of Representatives, and asked to be made a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee.

At first Garner refused. But pressure from New York financial circles finally forced him to relent and Bloom was given the job.

After Bloom's appointment, Democratic leaders hoped and prayed he would never live long enough to become Chairman of the Committee by right of seniority. For a time it looked like their prayers would be answered. A few months ago, however, sickness forced the temporary retirement of Chairman Sam D. McReynolds of Tennessee and Bloom, ranking Democratic member of the committee, filled in the gap.

'SOCIAL JUSTICE' PROGRAMS OVER STATION WHIP, HAMMOND, INDIANA

12:00 to 12:15 P. M.—News comment from social justice viewpoint.

3:00 to 3:30 P. M.—Organ music and inspirational reading for "shut-ins."

6:00 to 6:30 P. M.—News comment and organ music.

8:00 to 8:30 P. M.—Organ music, address on social justice and evening prayer.

WHIP may be tuned at 1480 kilocycles by turning the dial close to the extreme end of the high-numbered section. As the station is directional to the north and west of Hammond, Indiana, tuning in must be delicately done in order to get a full-toned reception. The listener will then find its strength of 5,000 watts equal for his purposes to that of any other station.

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Rothschild-Nazi War Goes On; Passport of Baroness Seized

German Maneuver Intended to Halt Baron Louis' Reich Suit

Old House Loses In Central Europe

THE HOUSE OF ROTHSCHILD'S secret war on Adolf Hitler, supposedly ended last month with the release of Baron Louis Rothschild from his prison in a Vienna hotel, flared up again last week when Nazis seized the passport of Baroness Aline Ringhoffer, Baron Louis' beautiful mistress.

The Viennese noblewoman, whom Baron Louis had never married because of an old Rothschild law forbidding male members of their house to wed non-Jews, was preparing to flee to Paris, where the 67-year-old bachelor baron is now recuperating from his 14-month jail term.

The detention of Baroness Aline was a clever Nazi move to force Baron Louis to drop his projected suit against the German government for $21-million—the amount of Rothschild property confiscated by Hitler. The day after the Baron heard the news he refused to sign the papers necessary to begin the legal proceedings.

Rothschild Power Now Limited to Democracies

Last month the Rothschilds, acting through the British government, forced Hitler to order Baron Louis' release and permit him to leave Austria with $50-million (more than two-thirds of his fortune). In return, the Baron agreed to let the Nazis keep the remaining $21-million as part payment for the $115-million loss sustained by the Austrian people when the Rothschilds' criminal financial manipulations caused the failure in 1931 of the Creditanstalt, Austria's largest bank.

Now that Baron Louis has been expelled from Austria the House of Rothschild has lost its last base in Central Europe. Of the five great branches set up by old Anselm Rothschild in 1812, when he divided up the nations of Europe among his sons, only the Paris and London branches remain.

But though their power has waned in the totalitarian states the Rothschilds are still almighty in the so-called democracies. The Paris and London branches (worth respectively $250-million and $150-million) serve as the nerve center of a vast money empire controlling the destiny of some 600-million people in the French and British empires, and if Baron Louis makes good on his promise to transfer his vast wealth to the United States, the Rothschild colossus will soon include 130-million Americans.

'House Contracts' Explain Success of Rothschilds

That the House of Rothschild has been able to preserve itself for more than 100 years is due to the "house contracts," the clauses of which govern the life of every member of the family. The contracts (called in German, *Haus Vertraege*) were drawn up shortly after the death of old Anselm Rothschild, the House's founder.

They are based upon one principal stipulation: no male Rothschild may ever give up his Jewish religion. Other articles provide: every branch of the House of Rothschild must consult all other branches before it begins any large-scale financial operation; each branch will share in the others' profits; all operations will be based on gold; each branch must conduct its own private news service.

Scribe Meet Is Given to Red Ranters

NEW YORK, N. Y.—No more traitorous group ever has abused the American right of free assembly than the assorted collection of Communists, radical Jews and European refugees who last week wound up a three-day Stalinist pep meeting here.

The group called itself the League of American Writers. But the principal speakers were Ex-President Benes of Czecho-Slovakia, Louis Aragon, a notorious French Communist, and Dorothy Parker (born Rothschild), the poet laureate of New York's degenerate cafe society.

As was to be expected, hardly a word was spoken about writing or about America. All the speeches were largely composed of ringing denunciations of the Nazis and unending praise for Stalin. In the end the 350 delegates put themselves on record as unanimously supporting the New Deal and its policy of intervention in Europe.

During the convention Thomas Mann, the celebrated German expatriate, was elected honorary president as a reward for a speech urging that America take the lead in a world-wide anti-Hitler crusade. Previously, his son, Klaus Mann, who is half-Jewish, in a smearing attack on American institutions had insinuated that Father Coughlin, America's most fearless opponent of Communism, was in the hire of the Nazis. The younger Mann, who speaks English with a hideous accent, closed his speech without a word of thanks to the country which allows refugees like himself to come to America and pursue their libelous activities in perfect freedom.

The last day of the Writers' Congress was devoted to choosing 10 vice-presidents and a governing board of 25 members. Among those chosen: Nora Benjamin, Aline Berstein, Lester Cohen, Lillian Hellman, Isidore Schneider, Jean Starr Untermeyer, George Seldes.

N.Y. W.P.A. Head Kicks Back At Red Assaults

Blames Teachers' Union for Threats

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Terroristic Communist attempts to dominate the W.P.A. have finally exhausted the patience of Lieut. Col. Brehon Somervell, Works Progress Administrator in this city.

Striking back at a brazen threat made in a letter to the supervisors of a W.P.A. field project, Somervell ordered the immediate dismissal of Allen J. Loeb, a Jewish W.P.A. worker and an officer of the Red-controlled Teachers Union.

Loeb had warned W.P.A. officials to give the rating of "excellent" to all members of his union—a move which would enable them to escape the W.P.A. cut due in the next few weeks. If the supervisors refused to comply, Loeb said they would have to face the consequences.

Somervell interpreted the letter as meaning that "life would be made miserable" for any W.P.A. official who did not heed the Communist threat. "The Teachers Union is responsible for this," the W.P.A. head said. "We have made the ratings without fear, favor or affection, and we are not going to have our people beaten up for doing their duty."

At the same time Somervell announced that the W.P.A. would accept no further communications from Moe Howard, chairman of the Grievance Committee of the Communist Workers Alliance.

A few days before, Moe had used the following choice morsel in a telephone conversation with a woman W.P.A. secretary: "Tell that ——— to keep his nose clean regarding the sewing project, or I will order a couple of women to deliver some guards to him. They will not be in very good shape when delivered."

Translated into English, this meant that, if W.P.A. guards continued to investigate illegal Communist activities on the sewing project, Moe's Red henchmen would beat them to a pulp.

AN EXPLANATION

Mr. J. Will Taylor, Representative in Congress from Tennessee, some time ago said he believed that Henry Morgenthau, Sr., was a senior partner, or a partner, in the Kuhn-Loeb banking company of New York.

Upon investigation it was ascertained that Mr. Taylor's information was incorrect. To this effect he made public apology on the floor of the House.

SOCIAL JUSTICE carried Mr. Taylor's story, and is happy to carry his latest remarks upon the subject:

"On April 18, last, in the course of my remarks on the so-called stabilization bill, I stated that I had been informed that Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Sr., the father of the present Secretary of the Treasury, was a major partner of the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. I have since been informed, upon what I consider reliable authority, that I was in error in this statement; that Mr. Morgenthau is not now nor has ever been financially interested in this firm. I certainly would not intentionally do Mr. Morgenthau or anyone else an injustice, and I make this explanation accordingly."

Behind THE NEWS ★ *by "Yours Truly"*

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt
White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

We notice that your administration in a year of so-called economy has spent $1-billion more for reform and recovery than during the corresponding period of last year. We cannot imagine how much you would have appropriated if the Congress had not applied the brakes to your reckless spending by slashing the budget for various agencies for reform and recovery. We noticed with a great deal of chagrin that you resented these reductions.

Even as amateur economists we understand that America, the richest nation of the world, cannot spend beyond her limited capacity to earn. In the New Deal philosophy America is endowed with infinite capacity to borrow and to pile up debts. At the present time our national debt is almost $45-billions and we have $40-billions in unrecoverable assets which the New Deal bookies still continue to carry on the books as assets and invested capital.

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You know, as well as I do, that the loans of the R.F.C., H.O.L.C., F.H.A., and other alphabetical agencies are liabilities and not assets—because the citizens to whom the government loaned citizens' money cannot pay. If the government seizes the mortgaged property of these citizens to defray the principal of the debt, the government cannot liquidate these assets. The government will then be in the same fix as the person from whom the property was seized.

Reckless spending and profligate waste cannot continue indefinitely for Americans' capacity to pay taxes, the source of these funds, is not infinite. In fact, we know that the Marxist planners advocate reckless squandering and profligate piling up of huge debts as the most efficient means of destroying the present economy and the present democratic form of government.

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A fundamental history of Communism in the nations of the world would be sufficient to demonstrate the factuality of that aphorism. Communism came into being in Germany, Hungary, Russia, Mexico, Spain and elsewhere when the economic systems of these nations were burdened to collapse with sterile debt and when the people living by the systems were driven into a state of soviet serfdom in a vain effort to defray the interest on these debts.

We simply were wondering if you have aspiration of becoming our dictator and if your planning brain trusters had hopes of becoming our commissars through this plan. We suspect this—for the executive branch of the nation is continually inventing new and better ways of squandering our national income.

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The New Deal philosophers would tell us that pump-priming is necessary to get the economic pump functioning once more. However, experience ought to have demonstrated that after eight years of pump-priming the pump is sucking only air. If the tinkers would leave the pump alone and tend to the well—the production of wealth — it is our belief that the pump would begin to function again.

—Yours truly

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THE POPE SPEAKS ON SPAIN'S CIVIL WAR

THE FOLLOWING EDITORIAL appeared in *The Churchman,* an Episcopalian monthly magazine.

Referring to the Spanish civil war and particularly to Generalissimo Franco and the moral support which he received from ecclesiastics such as Archbishop Mitty and practically every other dignitary in America, this magazine says:

"Those Roman Catholic propagandists who were so vocal for Franco all through the Spanish war are given a stiff jolt in a recent issue of *The New World,* official newspaper of the Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago (George Cardinal Mundelein) and the Province of Illinois. The article represents a refreshing contrast to what has been said in the majority of Catholic journals. . . All these have been jubilant over the articles by the Russian ex-general W. G. Krivitsky, published in *The Saturday Evening Post.* As to the authenticity of those articles, and the attitude of Roman Catholics on Franco, *The New World* says:

" 'We note that several Catholic papers are citing the series of articles by W. G. Krivitsky, now appearing in *The Saturday Evening Post,* to defend the position which they took in the Spanish Civil War. Krivitsky is a former general in the Red Army.

" 'If the articles, particularly the first one, captioned *'Stalin's Hand in Spain,'* show anything, it is demonstrated rather clearly that the last European power to take part in the Spanish Civil War was Russia. The article also sustains the contention that the Spanish Civil War was a fight for control of the Mediterranean, not by Spain, but by two other interested nations and that Russia jumped in because control of Spain would put her in a strategic position to force England and France to deal with her against the Fascist and Nazi dangers. A few Catholic papers, we note, found the article disappointing.' "

So the *New World,* the official paper of the Archdiocese of Chicago, contends that the Spanish Civil War was a fight for the control of the Mediterranean, not by Spain, but by two other interested nations, meaning Germany and Italy!

Contrasted to this statement we read the surprisingly forceful and brilliant pronouncement made last week by Pope Pius XII.

Welcoming representatives of the Franco Government to the Vatican, His Holiness stated:

"Welcome leaders, officers and soldiers of Catholic Spain, my most beloved sons, who bring to the heart of your Father an immense consolation because you have been the defenders of the Father and the Fatherland for which you have given so much. . . You have made sacrifices up to the point of heroism to defend the causes of God and religion. . ."

This clarifying statement makes manifest to the religious world that the Spanish Civil War was not an attempt to gain control of the Mediterranean by two powers other than Spain, but was a war in defense of God and civilization.

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King and Queen . . .

And speaking of one of these foreign nations—I mean Germany—considerable publicity appeared in the Reich press relative to the visit of the King and Queen of Great Britain to the United States of America. As one keen observer remarked in a Detroit paper, America was a stage upon which were assembled 130-million actors lifting high their voices in loud acclaim of Britannic George and Elizabeth. On the other hand, there was only a one-man audience —Chancellor Hitler, for whom the play was enacted.

Probably four or five others were permitted to enjoy the performance from the keyholes which lead through the doors of Italy, Hungary, Jugoslavia, Spain and Portugal. Although these latter did not enjoy box seats as did Mr. Hitler, nevertheless they understood the drama which was unfolded before them in four acts representing four days — four acts which culminated in the hot-dog garden party at Hyde Park where Mr. and Mrs. Morgenthau, Governor and Mrs. Lehman, together with Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, shared the spotlight with their Majesties.

It was Shakespeare who put these words into Hamlet's mouth: "The play's the thing wherein I'll catch the conscience of the King."

Yes, the play's the thing!

In the front middle stage, the chief *dramatis personae* of the play within the play were these eminent Jews.

What a contrast with Germany where Jews both low and high are persecuted and plagued!

Indeed, the play's the thing wherein they'll catch the conscience of the King—or rather, the conscience of the Fuehrer!

Despite the fawning adulation of the controlled press, the American people's reception to the first British monarch ever to visit the shores of the Western Hemisphere was a bit cool. Most observers attributed this to the fact that George's visit, coming as it did in a time of worldwide economic crises and war threats, had aroused a great deal of suspicion.

The American people weren't quite sure whether the King had come to foster good-will between the two great English-speaking nations or whether, like most Englishmen visiting America on official missions, he *had not come to entangle us in a war alliance* directed against Germany.

At any rate, after what happened in 1917-18, Americans have a perfect right to be wary of all British gestures, no matter from what quarter they may come. Even though the United States is listed in the World Almanac and other directories as an independent nation, it should not be forgotten that London still considers America a sort of unofficial British colony.

Unofficial in the sense that the United States has her own Congress, which meets twice a year in Washington. But nevertheless a colony. since America can be expected to fight for the British Empire in any war the latter may choose to enter, and at the same time foot all the bills.

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Social Security . . .

By the overwhelming majority of 361 to 2, the House of Representatives passed a series of amendments to the Social Security Act, which benefited both business and labor. Old-age pensions were extended to include employes of national banks, seamen and employed persons over 65. At the same time the present one per cent payroll tax, which was to be increased to one and one-half per cent, was kept at the same rate in deference to business spokesmen.

The most important political aspect of the measure was the drastic reduction of the huge cash reserve set up by the Treasury for the so-called protection of the old-age funds. Far from protecting the small Social Security driblets now being handed out by the government, the reserve had been used by New Deal underlings to speculate in foreign exchange, and the billions of dollars it has withheld from circulation is one of the major causes of President Roosevelt's depression number two.

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Poland's Helium . . .

In Poland, great rejoicing attended the New Deal administration's grant to Warsaw of 220,000 cubic feet of helium gas for use in a stratosphere balloon.

Previously, Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes had denied helium to Germany on the ground that it would be used for military purposes. Despite testimonials from United States army experts that dirigibles and balloons are now practically worthless in wartime, "Honest Harold" refused to give in. As a result, a ship sent to pick up the gas in Texas had to return to Germany empty bellied.

The Germans had counted on non-inflammable helium to fill the new transatlantic dirigible which is to take the place of the ill-fated *Hindenburg.* Two years ago the *Hindenburg,* filled with hydrogen, blew up while landing at Lakehurst, New Jersey.

Now that the New Deal has given Poland what was denied to Germany and thereby further endangered American neutrality, the dangerous tension existing between Washington and Berlin may be expected to increase. Since Poland is now Germany's most bitter enemy, President Roosevelt's gesture will naturally be taken by Nazis as a deliberate provocation. Will this non-inflammable helium gas cause a political explosion in Europe?

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Deadlock . . .

Reports from London indicate that Britain, France and Soviet Russia again are deadlocked in a monotonous exchange of notes. For the past three months we have been regaled with assurances by the British that they had finally induced Russia to join them in a military pact. It seems that the Russian diplomatists merely sit and wait in the Kremlin for their weekly communication from London, glance over it for a few moments, and turn it down.

This time the report is that Britain and France are prepared to give Russia full military support should the Central Powers perform any act of aggression against the Soviet. In return, of course, the western nations require that Russia stand by them in the event Hitler should turn his eyes westward across the Rhine. Prime Minister Chamberlain is quoted as saying that Britain and Russia are in general agreement as to the main purposes of the new Triple Entente. It is a safe wager that Russia will once more reject the overtures from London. The consistency with which they have continued to turn down British offers of help would lead one to believe that they are merely trying to see how far Britain will go.

It can quite easily be imagined that Chancellor Hitler is using Moscow in order to ascertain to what lengths the British will seek to encircle him.

Meanwhile, it is not a pleasant thought for the Christians of the western world to see the British Government seeking an alliance with the Stalinites who are responsible for the murder of more than 20-million Christians.

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Simplification of government and lower taxes.

Conscription of wealth as well as men in event of war.

Sanctity of human rights preferred to sanctity of property with government's chief concern for the poor.

Those 'Helpless Democracies'

READERS OF SOCIAL JUSTICE are too well informed to be patient with the propaganda and half truths that form the fare of the newspaper-reading public.

We will not, for example, accept from anybody the bunk that imperial England and France are "helpless democracies" threatened by the "terrible dictatorships" of Italy and Germany. Readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE know—and any thinking person reading the newspapers could know, with a little independent effort—that both Great Britain and France are vast world empires with far-flung colonial possessions from which the mother country exacts tribute. Both England and France are "democracies" in name only.

On the other hand, those "terrible dictatorships," Germany and Italy—either despoiled of colonies or prevented from acquiring any—are compelled to support vast national populations in a constricted area. Both nations, furthermore, have been deprived of gold and forced to a form of barter in world trade. Were it not for a strong dictatorship to compel efficiency in each of these "have not" nations, starvation and exploitation by conscienceless international usurers would still be their fate.

Readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE, therefore, cannot interpret measures of self-defense, yes desperate measures for life itself, as any world menacing "aggression" against the welfare of imperial empires whose press agents choose to dub them "helpless democracies." These empires, furthermore, attained their vast possessions by the cruelest conquest and maintain their exploitation by methods which will not stand publicity.

What England and France most fear, in any comparison with the starving and landless dictatorships, is that uncomfortable publicity will be given to the facts. Imperialism's mask of "democracy" is wearing thin and the terrible "menace of aggression" proves time and again to be simply some desperate self-defense measure of a hard-pressed people.

The whole thing looks to us like some more press agentry of the internationalists, whose racket of privately held gold and usurious exploitation is in danger from too much information accessible to more and more intelligent people.

Mr. Winchell's 'Inside'

LETTERS OF PROTEST are still pouring into the editorial offices of SOCIAL JUSTICE because, several weeks ago, we ventured to say: "Good for Walter Winchell!" Several members of the staff had just heard the Hearst columnist go to town against the Communists, and several good smashes at subversives also appeared in his newspaper syndicated column.

Now, members of the staff of SOCIAL JUSTICE, we suppose, are pretty much like other hard working magazine staffs. Many of them "read Winchell" daily and one of the copy-readers was a trouper when Gus Edwards School Days was a vaudeville novelty. But still that doesn't make us "Winchell fans." Editorially, we felt that Winchell was entitled to "an orchid."

The other night, however, Winchell repaid the courtesy. But we wish that he had mentioned SOCIAL JUSTICE by name. Winchell said:

"The reports first published in a Detroit magazine that 'La Passionaria,' the Loyalists' inspiration, was holding secret meetings in New York with Bela Kun, the anarchist, are comical. Insiders know that Bela faced a Soviet firing squad two years ago for being a Trotzkyite."

Oh, oh! Who are we to go up against those "insiders." The Winchell readers in the office did not like the way Wallie said it—almost like "we insiders!" All we know is what we read in the newspapers—and other places. If that was Bela they shot, who was the guy who denied it? Who's the fellow who has been living in Cleveland, and elsewhere, grabbing off all the credit among the Reds for being Bela? Maybe he was two other fellows!

While we're at it, we did not like the way Winchell raved about the late Ernst Toller, another of the "butcher boys." You would have thought, to read the Winchell obit, that Germany had three great poet-dramatists: Schiller, Goethe and Toller.

The 'People of Russia'

THE WHOLE COUNTRY knows the story of Mayor LaGuardia's enthusiasm for the Soviet brand of democracy as he expressed it at the official opening of the Soviet exhibit at the Fair. Less known is the vastly more important protest of the Russian National League of America.

This group of Russians, loyal to the old regime, passed the following resolution:

By way of comment on LaGuardia's glorification of the "democracy" of the Soviet regime, which he says expresses *the wish of the Russian people*, the following resolution of the Russian National League of America is recommended to his attention:

WHEREAS, American citizens of Russian extraction meeting in Carpatian Hall, No. 217 East 6th Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, under the auspices of the Russian National League of America and All-Russian Peasant Alliance wish to express opposition to participation by the Union of S. S. Republics in *World Fair at New York City*, and

WHEREAS, *we deplore exhibiting goods stolen from murdered owners, or produced by the forced labor of Russian workers and peasants of whom there are 10-million presently confined in the various concentration camps of Russia.*

NOW THEREFORE, mindful that a government cannot become lawful when its decrees are unjust and unsanctioned by God, and the unjustified application of force establishes its Communistic society *against the will of the Russian people*, we believe that recognition of the Soviet government by the United States of America was a grave mistake, and,

WE PROTEST, that a great liberty loving country like the United States of America, ought not, therefore, tolerate such exhibitions, and express our firm conviction that recognition of the Soviet government did not transform *gangsters, thieves and murderers into honest men.*

The President of the Russian National League of America: N. A. Melnokiff,

The President of All-Russian National Peasant Alliance: A. M. Karpemo, Secretary: A. A. Shtanen.

Appeal for Neutrality!

NOW THAT their Imperial Majesties, the King and Queen of Great Britain have gone from our midst, there is reason to believe that the covert purpose of their visit will be revealed in Congressional action on the Neutrality Act.

The New Deal has indicated that it will not stop short of Neutrality Act butchery that will give the President the right to pick the aggressor in a foreign scrap, and thereupon lend its assistance to the "victim."

This means the so-called "Fascist nations" automatically become aggressors, as soon as the act is written, and America becomes allied with the so-called "democracies"—Britain, France and Russia.

Write your Congressman today and demand: (1) No foreign entanglements; (2) No picking of aggressors; (3) No participation in Europe's blood-business; (4) No surrender to foreign propaganda.

It is most important that you do so. If you fail, we may be in the next war!

Americanism

AMERICANISM MEANS different things to different people. To Communists and their fellow travelers it signifies a way of life that allows them to spawn and multiply until they become strong enough to start the class war. To liberals and other pseudo-progressives it is a mythical spirit that is expected to conduct America peacefully and calmly through the tremendous spiritual and economic upheavals that lie ahead. Reactionaries think it is a dormant giant that will eventually rise up and strike down all those who desire a change in our social and political order.

To us Americanism represents the national character of the people of the United States—not the brash, cheap character thrust upon us by the public opinion manipulators of Broadway and Hollywood, but rather that vigorous and courageous mental state which is the outgrowth of three hundred years of national history, and that still exists in spite of all the efforts of alien propaganda to undermine it. In short, Americanism, in our view, is our forefathers' religious faith and frontier spirit dipped and stewed in the melting pot.

This Americanism, we believe, awakened and stirred out of its lethargy, is the only thing that can save us from chaos. 12-million citizens of this country have been unemployed for nearly ten years; yet all we hear from Congress is *free speech, democracy, defense.* Preparations have already been made to drag this country into another European imperialist war.

To face and conquer such problems as these we need more than the Republican or Democratic Party, more than free speech, democracy and a Big Navy. We need Americanism. Else we will have Fascism or Communism.

World's Fare

IN THIS strange world in which Communists become Americans, war-makers become patriots, and New Dealers become conservatives, it was inevitable that the Ku Klux Klan should scrape itself off and announce that it loves Catholicism.

That was the whitewash handled by Dr. Hiram W. Evans, formerly Imperial Wizard of the Klan, that great American organization of lynchers and bigots, who recently attended the dedication of a Roman Catholic Church at Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. Evans, who was succeeded in office by a horse doctor, said: "There has never been division within the Klan." Perhaps because the hanging rope and bull whip tied the members together, so to speak.

Al Smith's batting average isn't so good these days. Al appeared as a character witness for two or three defendants in the political bribery trials in New York City. One was freed; one convicted and the third, upon asking Al for a bit of character witnessing was told by the Happy Warrior: "You're okay, but my character witness career is over."

Radio station WHIP of Hammond, Ind., over which SOCIAL JUSTICE broadcasts every day, recently presented a speaker who delivered an attack on Father Coughlin. No, we are not going to pull a WINS or a WMCA and ask that all future speeches be censored. There are two sides to every argument, and we ask only a chance to present ours.

Amid all the sporadic war talk, bear that old aphorism in mind: "There has never been a good war; there has never been a bad peace."

"Honest Harold" Ickes planted several sticks of dynamite under the newspaper columnists—or thought he did—a few weeks ago, and now the columnists are having their innings. Mr. Ickes is starting the third term ball rolling for Mr. Roosevelt, and the columnists are starting the eight ball rolling for Mr. Ickes.

What became of that place called Danzig?

Uncle Ike says he plans to take in the World's Fair when he is in New York. He doesn't know that the Fair plans to do the same to him.

Ex-Representative Petengill says "the whole program of political medicine should be scrutinized from top to bottom." Whenever you find the hearts of politicians bursting with grief, and tears pouring down their cheeks, those groans you hear are probably the crocodiles.

A "humanitarian" nowadays, is nothing more than a politician who goes around doing good with other people's money.

The sun, they say, never sets on Tom Mooney, (better known to his classmates at San Quentin as 31921). He has just addressed a "job" Congress in Washington. Some folks are wondering how many years it will take for this great "labor" hero to knuckle down and get himself a job like the folks that are sending him money.

Add similes: As happy as a Communist in a Red revolution.

A group of Americans including Protestants, Catholics and Jews, recently signed a proclamation denouncing atheistic Communism, along with all other un-American "isms." If all residents of the United States would follow that example, and guide themselves accordingly, America's problem of so-called "anti-Semitism" would vanish.

With his attention necessarily directed ti union squabbles between C.I.O. and A.F.L. employes, an automobile manufacturer these days must have little time left to manufacture automobiles.

The punsters slipped when they failed to tie up Felix Frankfurter with Mr. Roosevelt's hot dog party.

Bearing in mind Britain's unpaid war debt to the United States, it might have been timely if Congress and Mr Roosevelt greeted King George with a "21-dun" salute (and this is not baby talk).

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Negrin and Del Vayo Move in on Mexico

Hope to Settle 50,000 Red Spanish Refugees Across Border From U. S.

MEXICO CITY, MEXICO — A definite threat both to Mexico and the United States will be created in the accommodation of 15,000 to 50,000 refugees from Loyalist Spain in the northern states of this so-called republic.

Dr. Juan Negrin, premier of Red Loyalist Spain, and Julio Alvarez del Vayo, the personable foreign minister of the Red regime, arrived in Mexico last week from the United States. Before leaving New York City the two held frequent conferences with Dolores Ibarruri, the notorious "La Passionaria," and Butcher Bela Kun.

Both Dr. Negrin and Del Vayo have been making numerous speaking engagements in the United States, while Bela Kun—frequently reported as "living in disguise in Cleveland, Ohio," and other points—has been lending his experienced aid to the "American revolution."

Del Vayo 'Front' For Face Saving

Del Vayo, scion of a Madrid monarchist family and widely press agented as a converted conservative, was formerly a roving European newspaper correspondent for the Madrid daily *El Sol*. Upon his arrival in America the Reds seized upon him as a respectable front to plead the lost cause of the Loyalists to gullible American audiences.

Thus up and down the land—in flat defiance of daily exposure on every side—del Vayo, Negrin and de los Rios continued to spread the propaganda that Loyalist Spain was the "people's regime."

"We of republican Spain have nothing to hide," he told intelligent American hearers, with a straight face. "Certainly things were very bad in the early days of the revolt. People were shot without trial, some perhaps unjustly." But he gave no hint of the thousands upon thousands of Christians marked for slaughter before the Red terror began.

"The government elected by the Spanish people was fighting for its life," he said repeatedly. "Certainly we got arms and munitions from Russia. But that didn't make us Communists. We *paid for every rifle and cartridge with cash on delivery.*"

Like most Communists his omissions are more ominous than his disclosures. In no speech did he tell where the money came from—i.e., *the sale or deposit with Russia of the loot from churches, estates of wealthy Christians, and confiscated treasures from art galleries of ancient Spain.*

[Editor's Note: A recent story in SOCIAL JUSTICE (June 5) discloses that the personal trunks and suitcases of del Vayo, seized in France, contained a fortune in gold chalices and rich altar plate stolen from Spanish churches before they were desecrated and burned.]

Speaks in Church; 'Take' Is $220

Speaking to two Milwaukee audiences, at a reception in "St. Paul's Episcopal Church" and in the city-owned auditorium, the oily tongued del Vayo took a reported $220 out of his audience of Milwaukee radicals to aid ½-million Red refugees in concentration camps in France.

It is to negotiate for the transfer of 50,000 of these Communists to Mexico that he and Negrin are now in conference with Mexican officials.

"You in the United States are already beginning to feel the disastrous results of your Spanish policy," del Vayo told Americans. "Franco's victory has given Fascism a foothold in Latin America and made it a menace difficult to check . . . Democracy is not dead in Spain. Spanish pride will not tolerate foreign rule."

But what rule could ever be more "foreign" than that of the Moscow regime for which del Vayo fronts, first in Spain, then in America and now in Mexico?

Ambassador Blames Soviet for Defeat

Soviet Russia not only controlled the Red Spanish revolution but also wrecked the Loyalist government, declares Luis Araquistain, Red Loyalist ambassador to France, in a series of articles released through the North American Newspaper Alliance.

The former ambassador describes del Vayo as a Communist disguised as "a Socialist instrument of the Communist Party."

"Del Vayo would sacrifice his own party, and the Spanish people if necessary, to serve Soviet Russia," Araquistain charged.

He also pictures Largo Caballero as a tool of the Communists who set him up in power under the title of "the Spanish Lenin."

"The May, 1939, crisis in which Dr. Juan Negrin replaced Senor Caballero also meant the triumph of the Communist party in Spain. But the day of that crisis was also the day the war was lost for the people's republic," the ambassador maintains.

Secret Hideout in New York City

"La Passionaria," ruthless woman leader of the Red terrorists, and Juan Negrin arrived in New York together after being feted by the French Communists. Although the New York newspapers were tipped off to their arrival, reporters were unable to find a trace of the much-photographed fugitives who arrived *incognito* and hid their identity thinly by registering under assumed names. They were frequently recognized by New York radicals on the streets of the city and were seen several times by correspondents of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine.

The United States State Department officially tendered its official recognition to Nationalist Spain, and ordered the Washington embassy turned over to Franco's representatives—*three days after Fernando de los Rios had turned over $12-million cached in the Spanish embassy* so that the Franco government could not sue to recover it. De los Rios moved to New York City to become a professor in the "University of Exiles" attached to the new School for Social Research.

International Brigade Still Carries On

Secret agents have pointed out that American members of the International Brigade, which saw service with the Loyalists in the Spanish civil war, have not been totally demobilized. Instead, some of these brigades are still quartered in Mexico and still wearing the uniform of the Brigade!

The *Correio de Coimbra,* a weekly paper published in Coimbra, Portugal, under the direction of Dr. Trindade Salguerio, an eminent supporter of Dr. Salazar, published the following item (Feb. 4):

"The distinguished Portuguese writer, Arthur Portela, reports in a letter dated February 1, 1939, from Barcelona to the *Dairio de Lisboa,* that among the records seized by the Franco authorities was found correspondence of the infamous 'Passionaria' (self-confessed murderess and Red leader), including letters from President Roosevelt to her.

"It is difficult to believe that the President of such a great nation as the United States would lend the prestige of his name and exalted office in communications to the 'Passionaria' who all the people of Spain and Portugal know to be a woman of vicious and degraded character.

"This same 'Passionaria,' speaking at a mass meeting in Spain, stated that the 'deal of all Spanish women should be to attain that perfect fraternity which comes from the fact that a mother does not know who is the father of her children'!"

Anti-Semitism Widespread in Soviet, Writer Reveals

NEW YORK, N. Y.—"Although the new Soviet constitution provides freedom for racial and religious groups, anti-Semitism is as widespread in Russia today as it was under Czar Nicholas II," says George Adams in a recent copyrighted article for the *Daily Mirror.*

"G.P.U. agents, in their search for *'valuta'*—gold or foreign currency—seize the Jews first and throw them into torture chambers until they reveal the hiding places of their wealth," the article reports.

The writer describes Stalin, the Georgian, as a born anti-Semite and says Stalin gave himself away with the recent forced resignation of Maxim Litvinov as foreign commissar—the last Jew to hold high office in Soviet Russia.

Mr. Adams says that Litvinov was well aware of the dictator's hatred for people of his race. For example:

"In 1915, while lunching in Geneva with an American newspaperman, also a Jew, Litvinov suggested to the American that a certain colleague, another Jew, had better not visit Russia after writing critical dispatches on Soviet affairs from Geneva.

" 'Stalin doesn't like him,' Litvinov observed. 'In fact, *he doesn't like any of our people!*'

"Outside the Jewish pale of settlement in White Russia and the Ukraine, where the Jews form from 4 to more than 15 per cent of the population, the Jews do not constitute even one per cent of the population of Russia," Mr. Adams reports, adding that "in the outer autonomous republics they are rarer than Scandinavians.

"The traditional anti-Semitism of the Russian masses has never been completely lost, although the Soviet authorities claim it has been wiped out. During the trials of the Trotzkyites, the defendants were referred to by most Russians as the 'Jew Trotzkyites.' Likewise with the Nepmen, those traders and small merchants who profited under Lenin's 'new economic policy' or NEP. They were called the 'Jew Nepmen'."

Jewish State in Soviet Is a Buffer Trap

Red Envoy Speaking About Biro-Bidjan Conceals Failure of 'Homeland'

NEW YORK, N. Y.—A striking example of the Soviet Union's contradictory policy towards Jews was offered last week at a meeting in New York City commemorating the fifth anniversary of the "independence" of Biro-Bidjan, the so-called Jewish homeland in Russia.

Reading a message from Red Ambassador Constantin Oumansky, a Soviet Embassy attache told an audience of 1,700 deluded Jews that "Jewish working people in Biro-Bidjan are giving every day new examples of their productive and creative abilities." The message then went on to state how Russia was the true friend of world Jewry, how Jews under Communism need have no fear of anti-Semitism, etc., etc.

Message Intended For Jews in U. S.

Although such propaganda has only one purpose—to win Jewish support for Communism in the "democratic" countries—it nevertheless rings particularly false when it comes from the one great power which refused to take in a single Jewish refugee at the recent Evian conference. As for Comrade Oumansky's pretty word-picture of Biro-Bidjan, it has been shattered countless times, not by anti-Semites but by Jews.

According to a dispatch in the *New York Times*—(Jan. 15, 1939)—a paper owned by Jews and one that consequently takes a warm interest in all things Jewish—the Soviet experiment in Biro-Bidjan has been a complete failure. In 1928, when the Reds first drew up plans for a Hebrew homeland in the Soviet Far East, they promised to settle 100,000 Jews there within ten years. Today the total Jewish population of the district is less than 20,000 and of these, three-quarters are living in the town of Biro-Bidjan, not on the land, as was originally planned.

Biro-Bidjan a Buffer State

Five years ago, when Biro-Bidjan was made an autonomous Jewish republic, 19,000 Jews had emigrated to the area, but in a little while 13,000 "disappeared" in purges. After that emigration proceeded slowly.

At present non-Jews outnumber Jews by more than 3 to 1 and the proportion is increasing daily as more and more Jewish colonists are deserting or being liquidated. Since Stalin was kind enough to place the Jewish homeland on the strategic Manchukuoan frontier (the inevitable battleground of a conflict between the Soviet Union and Japan), the few Jews who remain in Biro-Bidjan face the not pleasant prospect of being trapped in the middle of the threatening Russo-Japanese war.

MORE SPENDING

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The New Deal, busily engaged in repairing fences for the 1940 campaign, will sponsor another wasteful spending-lending program, it is learned here.

The program, designed to give business a hypodermic before election time, probably will arise out of recommendations likely to be made by the temporary economic committee.

Any resultant "prosperity" will not be dimmed until after the election, it is believed.

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World Trade Rivals Hold Europe's Fate

British Bankers Challenged by Germany's Ability to Recover Without Gold

LONDON, ENGLAND—Only one word can adequately characterize the European scene and that is "deadlock."

The two chief protagonists are Great Britain and the New Reich and the conflict revolves around a cold-blooded trade war where no quarter is expected and no holds are barred. Ultimately, it is a struggle as to who shall dominate Europe.

Both the British and the Germans, in the last few months, have announced that they must export or die. Now, there are only so many export markets and this is the real tinder box that may flame into some world-wide conflagration as it did in 1914.

Statistics of trade shrinkage tell a vivid story that belies the sugar-coated propaganda that is ground out daily in the press of the world. British economics are definitely on the down-trend. The balance of payments for last year showed a deficit of $275-million as against a $500-million credit in 1914.

Trade Missions Fight for Empire

The figures explain the frantic efforts of the British bankers to check that decline through various trade missions. A little over three years ago Sir Frederick Leith-Ross' mission to China was undertaken. At present he is doing his missionary work for Britain in the Balkans where he is up against a stone wall. R. H. Hudson who toured the Scandinavian countries, and lately to Russia, now proposes to visit the United States.

The underlying British purpose is to keep Europe divided and therefore, better conditioned for trade exploitation along the lines of the "British system." France, Poland, Greece, Roumania and Turkey are part of this bloc, with Soviet Russia secretly allied to both Britain and Germany.

Why such a purpose? The basis of all imperialism is the old maxim: "Divide and Conquer." It has permitted an island that is not even self-sufficient, in three and a half centuries, to control nearly three-quarters of the globe. It was definitely behind the carving up of Europe at Versailles and it was the international money-changer who held the knife!

Internationalists Profit in Currency

For example, do you really know how the money-changer operates? How his kind manipulates the monies of the world? Let us take the money used by the Chinese, a silver piece, of which there are over 160 different kinds, every one containing a different amount of silver. A Canadian 50 cent piece, at the present market value, is worth 13½ cents. In Canada, the Canadian 50 cent piece is worth 50 cents, but outside of Canada, the internationalists say that it is worth only 13½ cents—its silver content.

Now, their agents in Canada ship Canadian 50 cent pieces to China, say Shanghai or Hongkong, where they are worth only 13½ cents. They buy up these 50 cent pieces for 13½ cents and then reship them to Canada where they get 50 cents apiece! This is how the money-changers make their money.

Imagine the profit, since the new Europe was carved up, with the privately-owned Bank of England buying money from Poland, Czecho-Slovakia, Roumania, Germany up to 1933, Hungary, Austria, Lithuania, Russia, Latvia, Turkey, Greece, Jugoslavia, Bulgaria, and all the Scandinavian countries!

Not only do the international bankers profit on money, but by their control of it, they also profit from all industry, commerce, agriculture, practically every manufactured product and every mine, and last, but not least, every munitions plant.

Germany Has Beaten Their Game

Opposed to the privately-owned Bank of England stands the new German Reich with the avowed purpose of amalgamating continental Europe—particularly the Balkans. Hitler's conquest of Central Europe has been made with only one instrumentality primarily: that is the German mark. He has dispensed with international gold and its stranglehold on a nation's finances and put and kept in circulation a sufficient quantity of national money to put every man to work and re-establish economic security.

Yes, he has developed an army. But only with an army could he back up his actions and protect the German people from being annihilated by the money-barons who will stop at nothing when their racket is threatened. The neighboring Balkan countries were quick to see how Germany put her people to work with the German mark maintained at a steady level—not subject to violent fluctuations — maintaining the interests of the producer as well as the consumer.

Besides the Balkans, Denmark has signed up with the German system, although she was most anxious to preserve Schleswig territory. Latvia and Estonia have just about signed up also.

This economic background also partly explains why the Jewish internationalists are so unalterably opposed to what Hitler is doing. By stabilizing the mark, he has taken the control of importing and exporting goods, and the buying and selling of foreign exchange, away from the profiteers and given it to the German government. They are beside themselves with rage and eager for revenge.

Australia Seeks to Establish Own Diplomatic Corps

CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA—Robert Menzies, the 44-year-old prime minister of the Australian government, is carrying out one of the plans of his predecessor, the late Joseph Lyons, to establish an Australian diplomatic service.

One of the main reasons for the initiation of these plans is to enable Australia to have a direct diplomatic connection with the United States, Ireland and the two British dominions of Canada and the Union of South Africa. Australia now is dependent upon Great Britain's embassies and legations for her diplomatic contact with foreign nations. Menzies desires a full-fledged legation, with an accredited minister and several secretaries, as well as an American legation in Canberra.

Other reasons, aside from the fear of Japanese ambitions, is the United States' acquisition of joint control of the Pacific islands of Canton and Enderbury which are to be used for air travel between the United States and Australia.

Then there is the American administration's desire to change the Neutrality Act so that shipping could be continued to the outlying areas of a belligerent nation—areas not in a danger zone.

Australia, being an outlying possession of the British Commonwealth, trade could be maintained with it—if Congress approved — even though Great Britain came under the provision of the Neutrality Act.

Next, negotiations are going on between America and Australia for a trade agreement.

Finally, Australia has a program for manufacturing 1,000 fighting planes a year, as well as the building up of a larger navy, and a good portion of this business is going to be from America. A legation would facilitate all such matters.

Prince Paul Home From Berlin With New Trade Treaty

BELGRADE, JUGOSLAVIA—Prince Paul, Jugoslavian regent, has returned home from Berlin where he was a guest of Hitler. It is safe to venture that another bilateral agreement has been made. Already three-quarters of the Jugoslavian trade is with Germany and Italy.

The rule of Prince Paul, who took over in 1934 the heritage of King Alexander the Unifier, has been characterized by a policy of peace on all frontiers, although it has been a precarious course. Since Germany took over Austria, and Italy took over Albania, there was little else Prince Paul could do, although there is a friendly attitude towards the "democracies," which helped fix six formerly separate race groups under one country when Jugoslavia was federalized in 1919 under the Serbian Karageorgevitch dynasty.

However, this has led to innumerable internal conflicts between these opposing groups and it has been well-nigh an impossible task to preserve the status-quo established by the peace treaties. The Slovenes, the Croates, the Dalmatians, the Macedonians, the Serbians, and the Bulgarians, plus the Roumanians, the Magyars, and the Albanians are all within the boundaries of Jugoslavia.

Prince Paul will continue the work of his father in preferring to deal directly with her neighbors and secure her frontiers by means of the bilateral agreement.

Negotiations have already been opened with Hungary and this will probably be the next step of Prince Paul. This proposed agreement is understood to include an accord dealing with the Hungarian minority, or Magyars, within Jugoslavia's boundaries.

Next to Poland, Jugoslavia is in a more precarious position than any eastern European nation and Prince Paul has performed a herculean task in preserving peace in this State, although he has had many temptations to go to war.

Two Birthdays For Portugal

LISBON, PORTUGAL—Little Portugal is celebrating a birthday this month, the 800th since it became an independent European nation. Since 1940 also marks the 300th anniversary of the break with Spain, she is commemorating the two occasions together.

The "centenary" will run for a year and will beggar the strip-tease highlights of the two American world fairs. The Portugal centenary will bring out the full life, the culture, the history, the folk dances, the art and historical exhibitions, the colonial displays, garden pageants, brilliant army and navy maneuvers—in short the best of the new Christian Portugal that has been achieved in the brief space of ten years under the leadership of Dr. Antonio de Oliveira Salazar and a united people.

A little-known fact is that Portugal is the third greatest Colonial empire in the world conquered by such Portuguese patriots as Vasco da Gama, Diaz, Amerigo Vespucci and a score of others.

This June, President Oscar Carmona is to make a colonial tour to take in the Azores Islands, the Madeira Islands, the Cape Verde Islands which form a strategic triangle in the Atlantic. He is also to visit the Portuguese possessions in Africa, which constitute Portuguese Guinea, an area of some 15,944 square miles, with a population of only 365,000; Portuguese Angola, an area of 484,800 square miles, with a population of 3,140,000 and Mozambique, an area of 297,657 square miles with a population of 4-million.

The Portuguese have been exceptionally tactful and resourceful colonizers and give such a measure of justice to their subject peoples that all have been content to remain under her flag.

Nazi Ruse Gets Czech Gold Held by World Bank

BASLE, SWITZERLAND—A spirited battle that has been in progress for months has just ended here in victory for Germany. Little has appeared in the press, but behind the scenes, two opposing groups fought it out with all their resources.

The prize was $28-million in gold which was on deposit in London, with the privately-owned Bank of England, and which had belonged to the privately-owned Czecho-Slovak National Bank.

When Germany took over Czecho-Slovakia, the gold was in London and some British bankers refused to turn it over to Germany contending that Germany "stole" the gold from Czecho-Slovakia and therefore, had no legal right to it.

Certain directors of the Bank of England are much more favorable to Hitler than they are to Stalin, who confiscated huge oil holdings from them in the Baku territory. As a peace-offering to Hitler in the pending Anglo-Russian negotiations, these directors pulled a fast one on their Jewish partners who are all for making friends with Stalin.

They shipped the $28-million in gold to the "neutral" Bank for International Settlements. They then had the directors of the privately-owned Czecho-Slovak National Bank issue instructions authorizing the transfer from Basle to the Reichsbank in Berlin.

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C.I.O. PROFIT AND LOSS

By Lewis Seward

The C.I.O. Loses When It Wins, and So Do Its Members Who Hear Democracy Praised — Then Traduced

DETROIT, MICHIGAN—No orator has spoken and no journalist has written the tribute the C.I.O. deserves for its valiant resolution to organize the unorganized workers of vast mass-production industries in the United States.

Likewise no orator has spoken, and no journalist has written, the condemnation the C.I.O. deserves for its abuse of the opportunity afforded it to bring the bounties of unionism to those who never before experienced its benefits.

For instead of confining its efforts to clean, honest organization; instead of proceeding on the American pattern in a battle with industry to better the lot of the worker, the C.I.O. lost its head with its first draught of power; used class hatred as an organizing weapon; used a rocketing membership for political purposes, and shook hands with Communist organizers, leaders and promoters in an effort to benefit by their experience in handling men in the mass.

Would Anti-Communism Have Paid Dividends?

Could the C.I.O., from its birth in 1935 until the present day, have accomplished what it has, or even more, if it militantly had dissociated itself from Communist leadership, if not from Communist membership? Many prominent in the world of labor believe that it could have. It may be protested that the "democracy" of the C.I.O. precluded any discriminatory action against any group, Reds or other ism-ists. This argument is not sound, however, for the C.I.O., like the Communist *Daily Worker,* has dedicated itself to a death-battle with Fascism and Naziism — certainly a commendable policy when properly pursued.

The battle of the C.I.O. against Naziism and Fascism, again like the Communist *Daily Worker,* has been one-sided; has been approached on the premise that these isms constitute the only threat against what is loosely defined as Americanism. There has been no corollary battle against Communism. *There has, in fact, been a constant policy of Communist-coddling.*

Red Leaders Push Organization Drive

Has this deal with Communism brought many advantages to the C.I.O.? The only demonstrable advantage has been the support given John L. Lewis and his oligarchic leadership by the Communist press; by the Communist party and its directors.

In October, 1935, when the C.I.O. was born out of a feud between Lewis and the American Federation of Labor, this "Committee" for Industrial Organization could lay claim to 12 international unions with a membership of 1,200,000 men. One year later the C.I.O. claimed 22 additional international unions, added after an intensive organization drive undertaken with the assistance of prominent Communists, working with the original leaders of the Lewis-C.I.O. oligarchy.

After three years of organizing effort, undertaken at an expense of $3½-million—an expense paid by the United Mine Workers, and out of the per capita tax of the affiliated unions—the C.I.O. claimed a total membership of 4,400,000 members. If this figure were accurate, the C.I.O. would have outstripped its parent, the A.F.L.

Democratic Constitution Had Been Overlooked

But in November, 1938, the C.I.O. high council called a convention in Pittsburgh for the purpose of consolidating its gains and for the purpose of adding something that had been overlooked before—a constitution to govern its growing membership, who began to question how the John L. Lewis declarations of democratic unionism could stand up in the absence of a constitution.

The convention in 1938 showed that the C.I.O. had 32 international unions, as it claimed to have, but it showed that instead of a dues-paying membership of 4,400,000 men, the C.I.O. had only 1,600,000 men, many of whom had been added under an organizing program that cost approximately $75 for every man and woman placed on the membership lists.

The C.I.O. had claimed 550,000 members in the Steel Workers Organizing Committee. The credentials committee at the 1935 convention credited them with approximately 50,000. The C.I.O. had claimed a membership of 60,000 in the National Maritime Union. The credentials committee gave them 12,000. The C.I.O. had claimed 125,000 members in the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Union, but the credentials committee showed only 25,000. In short, the C.I.O. had depended for its claim of strength upon several unions with a comparatively negligible membership, whose organizational structure was a mere skeleton around which dual unionists danced.

Convention 'Froze' C.I.O. Status Quo

The November 1938 convention of the C.I.O. was noteworthy for many things. For one thing it vested control of the organization in a slate of officers and an executive board, made up of one member from each of the affiliated unions. This board of 32 members brought to the C.I.O.—its name changed in convention to the "Congress of Industrial Organizations"—a governing council composed of 16 more or less Americans, and 16 Communists, Communist aides, and Communist sympathizers.

For another thing this C.I.O. constitution, a comparatively brief affair of 10 articles, invested in the president, John L. Lewis, the authority to interpret its articles; to govern the C.I.O. between board meetings; to direct organizational affairs, to *"appoint, direct, suspend or remove such organizers, representatives, agents and employees as he may deem necessary."*

The convention returned to office Lewis and his oligarchy. Further, it froze them there through a convention delegate-representation scale that alloted to the unions which they represented a delegate strength sufficient to keep them in power.

Before the convention workers had complained of the C.I.O. chiefly on two counts: First, it had become a playground for revolutionary Communists who saw the sit-down strike and the wildcat strike as the weapon of discontent, and who hoped to build Red strength at the expense of the honest but deceived workman. Secondly, Lewis and his aides constituted a dictatorial governing council against which the supposed autonomy of affiliated unions was meaningless.

Dissatisfaction Brings Painful Defections

After the convention an examination of the proceedings showed that these conditions had not been ameliorated. They were continued, dignified and authorized, in the new "democratic" constitution.

The inevitable result of such a deal was that large membership blocs would withdraw from the C.I.O., which had promised much but given little; which had preached democracy but practiced dictatorship, and which had shouted for Americanism, but coddled Communism. Membership blocs did withdraw. Before the convention David Dubinsky and his International Ladies' Garment Workers Union had turned in their charter, because they saw no hope of peace between the A.F.L. and the C.I.O., and because they wanted to be no party to the quarrel that had broken the back of labor.

The I.L.G.W.U. precedent was followed by the United Office and Professional Workers in Los Angeles, who went with the A.F.L.; by approximately 30,000 members of the Tenant Farmers' Union; by an approximate 100,000 members of the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers, who returned to the A.F.L.; by the Seamen's Union; by 17 locals of the United Mine Workers of America—Lewis' own union—who gave their affiliation to the Progressive Miners of America, chartered by the A.F.L.; by the Teamsters' Union of Seattle, Wash., which went with the A.F.L.; by approximately 100,000 members of the United Automobile Workers who followed Homer Martin in his battle against Communism and returned with him to the A.F.L.; and by defecting membership blocs in the American Newspaper Guild, and the Lawyers' Guild, both of whom split with the Lewis system.

Homer Martin Gets Taste of the 'System'

Homer Martin, the former Baptist preacher who turned labor leader after working on the production line of an automobile plant, had fought a valiant battle against Communism in his union. After a union trial found five men guilty of Communist conspiracy and a plot to wreck the U.A.W., the men were expelled, in keeping with the Union's constitution. The five after expulsion, conducted a campaign of propaganda and disruption among the union members, and finally appealed their case to Lewis and the C.I.O. oligarchy.

Although the C.I.O. had no jurisdiction over the U.A.W. insofar as the U.A.W. was self-governing, nonetheless Martin was summoned to Washington by Lewis. There he was called into session, first with Lewis, then with others of his general headquarters staff, then with Lewis again. The C.I.O. boss insisted that the guilty men, although convicted on sworn evidence of a conspiracy to wreck the union, be taken back in good standing. The manner in which Lewis made known his desire is interesting. After stating his purpose briefly, he said to Martin:

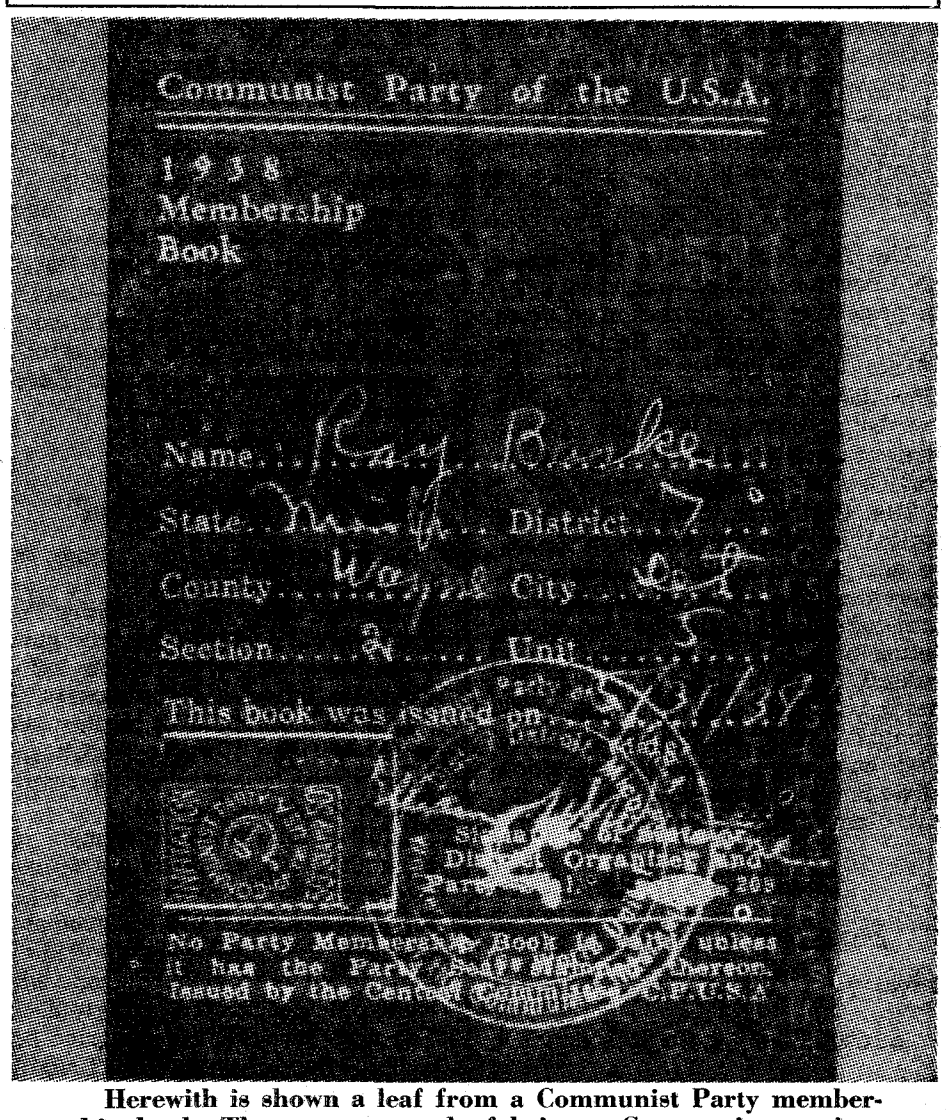
"I am a man of decision; when I make up my mind to do a thing it is going to be done. This thing has to be settled within 24 hours, or else. These men must be taken back in."

"Else what," Martin snapped.

"Else we will send in 300 organizers and $½-million, and we will beat you down to a stump; we will drub hell out of you."

This was the president of the democratic and American organization, the Congress of Industrial Organizations, speaking to one of his men, a member of the C.I.O. executive board, giving him, it may be presumed, a first-hand lesson in democratic procedure and labor leadership.

A 'Democratic' Leader's Handbook



Herewith is shown a leaf from a Communist Party membership book. The man, accused of being a Communist spy in a Detroit auto plant, uses an alias to hide his true identity. He is charged with disruptive tactics in promoting strikes, and of leeching on the U.A.W. to promote the cause of Moscow.

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Collaborating with a group of Father Coughlin's fellow priests, the author of "*An Answer to Father Coughlin's Critics,*" hereby challenges and refutes the malicious slanders hurled against the Radio Priest by the official Jewish book, entitled "*Father Coughlin, His 'Facts' and Arguments.*"

This slanderous book, which has been given wide circulation, was published jointly by the American Jewish Committee, the B'nai B'rith, the American Jewish Congress and the Jewish Labor Committee (the chief components of the General Jewish Council). Thus the book was the official reply of American Jewry to Father Coughlin's invitation that religious Jews join Christians against Communism and all persecution.

SOCIAL JUSTICE herewith presents Chapters 2 and 3 of Mr. Marcin's series. Further chapters of this "*Answer to Father Coughlin's Critics*" will appear next week.

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CHAPTER TWO

Official Jewry Fails to Join Anti-Communist Campaign

FATHER CHARLES COUGHLIN enunciated the fundamental thesis in his various radio addresses that atheistic and irreligious Jews were responsible, along with the same type of Gentiles, for the massacre of millions of Christians in Russia, Spain, Mexico, Germany and Hungary in carrying out their Communist coups. This thesis, however, was merely the prelude to an invitation for all religious and faithful Jews to repudiate and to protest the murder of millions of Christians by their atheistic and irreligious brethren; just as millions of faithful and believing Christians had joined with world Jewry in condemning and in criticizing the persecution of the Jews in Germany by the apostate and renegade Gentile leaders in Germany.

Father Coughlin extended this invitation to religious Jews, only after he himself had emphatically denounced the persecution of Jews in Germany.

Here, then, is the fact of paramount importance: On that occasion Father Coughlin joined his voice with the voices of thousands of other Christians who deprecated the actions of their irreligious Gentile brethren responsible for the persecution of Jews in Germany.

Official Reply Is Attack on Father Coughlin

Instead of accepting the invitation to condemn Communism which Father Coughlin extended, the Jewish leaders lashingly attacked the Radio Priest by calling him a liar, a Nazi agent, a falsifier of facts, a dangerous demagogue, a violent anti-Semite, a Hitler hireling, a sadist, etc. In fact, they tried to destroy every argument in his address which treated directly or indirectly of the Jewish influence and dominance in Communism. They called to their aid such authoritative witnesses as Strauss of Kuhn, Loeb and Co., Professor Jan Smertenko, director of the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League, Alexander Kerensky, former provisional president of Russia, Leon Trotzky, Soviet exile in Mexico and others who were interested in disclaiming the guilt of Jews in Communist persecution and in attempting to disprove the facts and discolor the arguments advanced by Father Coughlin.

But this obvious fact still remained, namely: The officialdom of Jewry did not accept the invitation proffered by Father Coughlin. They steadfastly refrained from joining, as a group, with Christians in protesting the Communist massacre of millions of Christians throughout the world.

While official Jewry asks the world to co-operate in protesting the persecution of Germany's hundreds of thousands of Jews, its neglect to accept an invitation to join with Christians in protesting the murder of thousands of Christians is alarming and almost sinister.

What interpretation does this silence invite? Is it not credible that, to distract the attention of the Christian world from their ominous silence in opposing Communism, their hundred and one distracting and sophistic defamations were employed to disguise their indirect support of a world revolutionary policy that is anti-Christian and anti-God?

Gentile Speakers Front for Jews

Nor were the Jewish leaders apt in securing Gentile mouthpieces to launch their barrage of defamation, for everyone recognized their spokesmen were used to veil more completely the failure of Jewish leaders to co-operate with Christians in protesting mass murder.

To say the least, it was surprising to see such persons as Rev. William Kernan, Rt. Rev. John A. Ryan, Dorothy Thompson, Westbrook Pegler and a multitude of lesser luminaries unreasonably espouse the cause of outraged Jewry and slanderously attack the Radio Priest of Royal Oak. Not one of them stressed the invitation tendered by Father Coughlin; all of them subdued it as they hastened to heap insult upon the one who was courageous enough to formulate it.

The fact still remains that while all Christians joined wholeheartedly in protesting the oppression of Jews in Germany under the Nazi regime, official Jewry did not join with the Christians in protesting the wanton murder and savage massacre of millions of Christians by apostate Jewish and Gentile commissars and agents.

The Christians of America have waited in vain for American Jewry to accept that invitation. Logically, therefore, they have interpreted this particular Jewish slander and vilification of a Catholic clergyman as a refusal to accept the invitation he proffered. No word, no oration, no pamphlet, no protest can liquidate that conclusion. Action and action alone is the only social chemical that can dissolve that hard fact.

CHAPTER THREE

Father Coughlin Quoted 'The American Hebrew' Correctly

WHEN WILL AMERICAN JEWRY courageously repudiate the indefensible actions of atheistic Jewish and Gentile Communists who were and are responsible for the crimson slaughter of millions of Christians throughout the world?

When?

Until that day arrives the silence of official American Jewry will remain as an eloquent supporter of Communism and will be responsible for lending moral aid to the growth of Bolshevism in our midst.

Moreover, the General Jewish Council in their booklet, "*Father Coughlin — His 'Facts' and Arguments*" unsuccessfully attempted to disavow Jewish participation with Communists by maintaining that Father Coughlin misquoted *The American Hebrew* magazine of September 10, 1920.

As a matter of fact Father Coughlin did not misquote *The American Hebrew* as contended by the authors of "*Father Coughlin—His 'Facts' and Arguments.*" And, as a second matter of fact, *The American Hebrew* magazine article in question actually boasts of the part played by Jewry in furthering Communism. Let us see:

First, the General Jewish Council book maintained that the Radio Priest inserted the phrase "the Russian-Jewish revolution" in the article "Jews in World Reconstruction" written by Svetozar Tonjorov. The pertinent excerpt reads in Father Coughlin's official, printed text as follows: "The achievement (the Russian-Jewish revolution) destined to figure in history as the overshadowing result of the World War, was largely the outcome of Jewish thinking, of Jewish discontent, of Jewish effort to reconstruct." More on this point will follow.

Second, the authors of the General Jewish Council book argue that Father Coughlin gave the above quotation a false meaning in that he made it refer to the second Russian revolution of October, 1917—the Bolshevik revolution — whereas, so the Council book indicates, it referred to the spring revolution under Kerensky in 1917.

Critics Quibble Over Which 'Revolution'

Now let us analyze these two charges, or contentions:

Anyone who reads the entire Tonjorov article absolutely recognizes that the words with which Father Coughlin introduced the excerpt referred to nothing else in this wide world but the Russian-Jewish revolution which is the second revolution in the autumn of 1917.

In the following paragraphs opportunity will be presented to read the text. Then ask yourself the meaning of the words, "The achievement." Only one meaning can be applied and that meaning is gleaned from what was contained in the paragraphs of *The American Hebrew* magazine preceding the one Father Coughlin quoted in his broadcast speech.

That the General Jewish Council contention is a slander is evident when one reads the printed text of Father Coughlin's speech in which

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he employed the quotation in question. In all the printed records of the Radio Priest's address wherein this quotation was used the phrase "the Russian-Jewish revolution" is written in parentheses and thus is clearly designated as an editorial note. No logician, having read *The American Hebrew* article, would hesitate to affirm that Father Coughlin was perfectly scientific in using the reference which he employed.

Let's Look at Disputed Article

Or am I proceeding too quickly? Be patient; for in a paragraph or two below I am reproducing the major portion of *The American Hebrew* article so that every reader can read and weep — weep for the vacuous attempt on the part of the unknown author who swashbuckled in behalf of the American Jewish Council, only to wound his sponsors.

Now let us remove the foregoing explanatory label and handle the goods in the raw. In other words, let us look at the record by reading the following reproduced extracts from *The American Hebrew* magazine. The article is entitled "*Jews in World Reconstruction*" by Svetozar Tonjorov, (*American Hebrew, September 10, 1920, pp. 434, 507*). Take not my word for it; take not the charge excogitated by the General Jewish Council for it; but take the naked, stone-faced truth of the following paragraphs to prove beyond the reach of calumny that Tonjorov characterized Communism as a Jewish attempt to reconstruct society as Father Coughlin averred and as the editors of *The American Hebrew* magazine indirectly admit insofar as they dedicated this special issue of September 10, 1920, to Jewish accomplishments.

Here Is Text of Hebrew Article

Here are the original paragraphs:

"Out of the economic chaos, the discontent — and it was a legitimate discontent, be it noted—of the Jew evolved organized capital, with its working instrumentality, the banking system.

"That was a great achievement—an achievement almost as great as the evolution of organized government out of the selfish operations of the barons and their super-baron. Gradually, in every country in the world, the government of the barons and the government of the Jewish banker effected an alliance that constituted up to the outbreak of the great war—and apparently still constitutes —*the dual force that controls the*

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destinies of nations and of individuals everywhere.

"Organized government, like organized finance, is an essential condition to the welfare of human society. The indictment against both government and finance lies in their joint rejection of the Golden Rule—in their joint attempt, successful up to the present — to ride roughshod over the rights of nations and of individuals.

"To impose rules — and especially the Golden Rule — upon this dual Niagara of force is the paramount problem of the day.

"One of the impressive phenomena of the impressive time is the revolt of the Jew against the Frankenstein which his own mind conceived and his own hands fashioned for his defence in the darkness of the middle ages. This revolt is a continued phase of the unrest that formulated through Jewish lips the Sermon on the Mount.

Jews Boast of Effort to Reconstruct

"The workings of this unrest are to be seen in the events that have accomplished, since the fateful year 1914, a task that looms far larger than the French Revolution—the annihilation of the most firmly entrenched, the most selfish and most reckless autocratic system in the world, the Russian Czarism.

"That achievement, destined to figure in history as the overshadowing result of the world war, was largely the outcome of Jewish thinking, of Jewish discontent, of Jewish effort to reconstruct.

"Even amid the mass of legends that have been transmitted to the columns of the press by men and women whose main purpose was to paint the Russian revolution in warning colors, it is possible for the discriminating mind to discern facts that terrify.

"*The Bolshevik Movement* (italics ours) is neither polite nor tolerant; in its initial phase it was purely destructive. Force was needed to clear the Russian ground of the accumulated abuses of centuries. While it was sweeping away the obstacles to freedom, the *Bolshevist broom* swept away many useful and desirable things . . . (p. 434).

"The military, economic and political power which *Soviet Russia* is developing in the face of the united opposition of the rest of the world is a sign of the passing of the destructive phase of the *Lenine-Trotzky revolution,* which may also mean the passing of *Lenine and Trotzky* themselves . . .

"The rapid emergence of the Russian revolution from the destructive phase and its entrance into the constructive phase is a conspicuous expression of the constructive genius of Jewish discontent.

Same is Planned for Other Countries

"What Jewish idealism and Jewish discontent have so powerfully contributed to accomplish in Russia, the same historic qualities of the Jewish mind and heart are tending to promote in other countries. It was natural that, under the stress of the political and economic torrent that swept away a firmly entrenched institution of oppression in Russia, discontent in other parts of the world should find expression in overemphasis of issues and overstatement of aims.

"Such an overshooting of the mark is inseparable from all great aims in their white heat. But, just as in Russia the first violent impulses of destruction have been succeeded in an incredibly short time by a systematic and eminently successful campaign of reconstruction, so in every country the Jewish movement to bring about a happier and more rational state of society is being modified to the requirements of actualities.

"In every country the same genius that first created Capitalism to meet a *great racial* and universal need and then revolted against its irresponsible excesses is working to create a better state of society for *its own benefit* and the greater happiness of all other peoples."

[All quotations are from *The American Hebrew* magazine, September 10, 1920, *"Jews in World Reconstruction,"* by Svetozar Tonjorov, student of world movements; advocate of American unity, pp. 434, 507.]

Russian Massacre 'Creative Genius'?

And what is your conclusion? Only this, namely, that the General Jewish Council in their booklet, *"Father Coughlin — His 'Facts' and Arguments"* did not tell the truth when its author charged the Radio Priest with misquoting *The American Hebrew* magazine, and misapplying his reference to the second Russian revolution in the autumn of 1917.

If a Gentile or a Christian went one-half so far as the author did in *The American Hebrew* magazine he would be labeled as anti-Semite number one. Neither Chancellor Hitler nor his minions ever made a more definite charge against Jews and their relation to Communism than was contained in *The American Hebrew* magazine.

I am tempted to ask you to re-read the quotation from *The American Hebrew.* You will find that the author claims that the Jews created Capitalism and originated democratic government in retaliation against the barons; you will find that the author claims that the Jews who originated Capitalism regarded it as a Frankenstein and then set forth to destroy it; and you will find that the author claims Communism is the red baby set upon the door steps of civilization by the midwife of Jewry.

Finally, you will be surprised to learn that the author went to the extreme of announcing that what *Jewish creative genius accomplished* in Russia, it strives to bring about in all the nations of the world.

In all my experience it is the first time I ascertained that it required genius to murder and massacre Christians, to expropriate private property, to insist upon atheism and world revolution.

According to that rule Washington and Lincoln were very ordinary souls; and Jesse James and John Dillinger are the genius type of Americans. (Too bad neither Jesse nor John had a press agent to brag about them!)

Nobody Was Talking About Kerensky

Before we depart from this subject of the so-called misquotation of *The American Hebrew* magazine I defy any member of the General Jewish Council to point out wherein Father Coughlin, in employing the quotation, referred to the Kerensky revolution which was realized in the spring of 1917. Nevertheless, remembering that the Divinity once employed Balaam's ass as His mouthpiece, the General Jewish Council gleefully accepted the utterances of the Reverend Mr. Kernan to spread this fabrication and made it their own when this Christian clergyman strenuously intimated that the Royal Oak Radio Priest did that very thing.

Again look at the record.

Where in Father Coughlin's speech is there even an implicit reference to Kerensky and his social democratic revolution? There is not an iota of reference contained therein to give substance to this braying. Father Coughlin said what he intended to say and what he said was confirmed by the actual text of *The American Hebrew* article. As has been indicated, all references in this article concern Lenin and Trotzky and the Bolshevik revolution.

Even the casual reader wonders how the supposed scholars who composed the General Jewish Council book could risk stating that Tonjorov referred to the Kerensky revolution when his article is filled with references specifically referring to Lenin, Trotzky and their Bolshevism; when he discusses systems that are the direct antithesis of Capitalism and democracy—systems certainly in opposition to the Kerensky revolution and to the provisional Kerensky government. Even babes in the literary woods recognize that Tonjorov was referring to Communism, the opposite of Capitalism, the antithesis of democracy.

Maybe Dr. Kernan Was Made the Goat!

Dr. Kernan, the Little Red Riding Hood who went seeking his dear grandmother of notoriety, was clumsily employed to cover the fanged wolf's head of defamatory destruction.

Personally, I would have attributed to the author of the General Jewish Council book sufficient intelligence to recognize this; and, though lacking that *savoir-faire,* I congratulate him even for an attempt that failed to burden the back of the popular goat with historical and literary sins.

An attempt that failed!

Verily the attempted Talmudic interpretation made by the Reverend Wm. C. Kernan in an address at Trinity Episcopal Church on December 4, 1938, and publicized many times, should be preserved for years to come in our classrooms to exemplify the art of *capri hircus* — the twisted horned goat—whose weapons of attack became entangled in a forest of fancies.

And another kindly word for Mr. Kernan, the capricious clergyman: We defy him to substantiate his statement that the Golden Rule, which is the law of Christian charity, is the principle of Judaism. The law of charity, the proper principle of Christianity, was first announced to the Jews by Christ, the first Christian, rather than by Christ, the Jew. Indeed, we squirm uncomfortably, together with all Christian theologians, for the Balaam clergyman whom the General Jewish Council took unto themselves as a defender, not only for the above-mentioned inaccuracies he committed but for a multitude of others such as his mangling the muse of history in his references to Palestine.

Sic transit gloria hirci! So fades the glory of the goat!

In connection with *The American Hebrew* article and the address of the Reverend Mr. Kernan and the General Jewish Council who accused Father Coughlin of misquoting it, we come to the conclusion of this chapter by remarking that the authors of the General Jewish Council book were too clever in attempting to save their own scholarship by using as their literary scapegoat men of the calibre of the Reverend Mr. Kernan; too clever, because they themselves unwittingly have become impregnated with the *"odor hirco"—the smell of the goat!*

(To be Continued)

Facts Don't Hamper Leaders Of 'Smear Coughlin' Campaign

Misrepresentation and Distortion Continues

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The "Smear Coughlin" campaign directors seldom allow themselves to be hampered by facts.

They continue to peddle falsehoods about the teachings of Father Coughlin and to misrepresent and distort the principles enunciated by him. This despite the oft repeated proof that those principles and teachings are based upon the tenets of the Church, as evidenced in the Popes' encyclicals.

Among the recent unfounded, truthless tirades of anti-Coughlinites is a philippic by Rabbi Newman. Speaking at Congregation Rodeph Sholom in this city, Rabbi Newman asserted:

"The Pope, through his duly constituted staff, should bring home to Coughlin that a continuance of his *anti-Semitism* and *his support of the Nazi program* are a liability to Catholics in this country and elsewhere, not to mention the irreligious and hateful character of his misrepresentations concerning an unoffending minority in the community."

Such outbursts cause one to wonder if the authors of them ever have listened to a radio address of Father Coughlin's or have read any of his writings.

Surely, in the face of facts, Rabbi Newman can not actually believe his statement, for the facts contradict him.

Father Coughlin has emphasized time and again that his opposition is *not* to Jews as a race, but to irreligious, atheistic Jews and Gentiles affiliated with or sympathetic to Communism.

In equally unequivocal terms he has denounced Naziism and the persecutions arising under it.

Yet his defamers, for reasons best known to themselves, insist on misleading their audiences with vicious attacks bearing no semblance of truth.

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Reveals Red Plot to Recruit Service Men

Says Moscow Instructed Its American Agents to Convert Army Forces

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A House investigating committee last week heard testimony by a former Red that Moscow headquarters had ordered its American agents to use sex-appeal in recruiting American soldiers and sailors into the Communist Party.

Another erstwhile Stalinite told the committee that the Workers Alliance, a union of reliefers and unemployed, is a training school for the Communist Party, that actually, it *is* the Communist Party.

A third witness, formerly a stage manager for a New York Federal Theatre Project, testified that W.P.A. arts projects are instruments to "sow the seeds of Communism."

Charles H. White, a Negro W.P.A. writer, said he was a member of the Communist Party from 1930 to 1936 and that he studied for 18 months in 1931-32 at the College of Professional Communists, Moscow.

HERBERT BENJAMIN

Attended Soviet Agitation School

About 100 other Americans attended the school with him, mastering the gentle arts of agitation, street fighting, and sharpshooting while soaking up the principles of Communism.

The fledgling Reds, White said, were instructed to propagandize especially the United States Army and Navy and to use "young girls" to approach soldiers and sailors. The instructors explained that military men sometimes were "brutal" in their reactions to Communist men who tried to convert them, but that girls could approach them "on a social basis."

"We were told to use the armed forces as the chief arena of activity for recruiting members of the Communist Party," White testified, "and to concentrate on the usual grievances of the men against poor food, bad housing and the high cost of uniforms in order to win their confidence."

During his sojourn in Moscow, he said, he met Herbert Benjamin, now general secretary-treasurer of the Workers Alliance. Benjamin, White said, was busy at the time making plans and preparations for the hunger march on Washington which he led in 1932.

At a previous hearing of the committee Benjamin admitted he has been a member of the Communist Party for 18 years.

Workers Alliance Is Communist

Any doubts that the Workers Alliance is a Communist baby were dispelled by Mrs. Frank Duty, Negress, of New York, who said she was a member of the Communist Party from 1936 to 1938, but resigned when she became "disillusioned" and convinced that the entire deal was a farce—that it could not liberate the Negro people.

"You must understand," she told the committee, "that the Workers Alliance *is* the Communist Party. It's the nursery where we get the young plants, nurture them and recruit them into the Party."

The Alliance, she said, "owns and controls" the home relief system in New York City.

Her activities in the Alliance on behalf of the Party were directed at all times, she said, by Communist leaders.

First Lady Speaks to Communist Alliance

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Communism threw out its chest in pride last week for having scored an almost incredible victory—enticing the wife of President Franklin D. Roosevelt to address a convention of the Workers Alliance, Communism's No. 1 recruiting agency.

Mrs. Roosevelt made it clear to reporters before she spoke that she was not particularly concerned by the mere fact that the Alliance is a Communist-sponsored and dominated organization.

After her speech Alliance officials, gloating over their coup, bestowed on Mrs. Roosevelt an honorary membership in the union.

Now United States citizens can boast that the First Lady of the Land has identified herself with Communism. By accepting Alliance membership she inferentially has agreed to rock the cradle of the Communist baby—the cradle that hopes to rock the world.

Tariff Penalty Reduces Trade

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The 25 per cent tariff penalty against Germany, imposed two months ago as a reprisal against the German government's treatment of German Jews, already has had its effect on German-American trade.

More than 70 per cent of German exports which entered this country were affected by the state department tariff barrier, and Germany does not expect to recover even one-fifth of this amount.

Pressure against the continuance of the prohibitive tariff has come from American importers of German goods and from German traders themselves. If the tariff cannot be removed, German interests hope to effect some sort of arrangement whereby they can exchange German goods necessary to the United States for American goods needed by Germans on a more normal level.

By its action to prevent German trade, the State department has made penalties against an individual government a matter of foreign policy, rather than one of international law.

New Deal Policies Bring Income Drop to Farmers

Figures Show Gross Returns Declined Last Year

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The New Deal's alleged efforts to help American farmers back on their financial feet resulted last year in a decline of $1,130,000,000 in gross agricultural income.

Figures released by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics showed farmers received a total income of $9,220,000,000 in 1938, compared with $10,350,000,000 in 1937.

Illustrative of the futility of the Administration's impractical subsidy system is the fact that the decreased income includes $482-million in government benefit payments.

Although President Roosevelt and Agriculture Secretary Wallace purport to restore the farmers' lost purchasing power, their methods only have complicated the already distressing situation.

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics attributed much of 1938 decline naturally, to a decrease in receipts from crops. Yet the Administration farm program provides no real means for remedying the problem.

On the contrary, New Deal Washington "farmers" oppose bitterly all attempts to enact a sound, workable law whereby producers would be guaranteed the cost-of-production price, plus a reasonable profit. Wallace has exerted every ounce of his political strength to defeat the Cost-of-Production bill now pending in Congress. As a result it is extremely unlikely that the measure will be passed during the Roosevelt reign.

After six years of foolhardy experimentation which have entailed costs unprecedented in the history of the United States, the New Dealers doggedly insist that the way to produce greater wealth for the nation is to curtail wealth.

Paradoxical though it may be, that is the theory behind crop control, the pet theory which the Administration continues to practice despite its proven failure.

While 11½-million unemployed persons in the country are unable to buy enough of the farmers' products to live comfortably, the government declares that a "surplus" exists. The millions of needy persons in families of the unemployed can find no surplus. They find an insufficiency of products.

But the Administration is famous for its inscrutable mental processes. Crop control is one of the outstanding results of those processes.

At the same time the government was forcing farmers to limit production it also was paying them benefits 31 per cent greater than in 1937, according to the Bureau. And still the gross farm income was below that of 1937.

Receipts from all crops declined 18 per cent while those from livestock and livestock products fell nearly 9 per cent. Corn showed the only increase over 1937. Only two states, Iowa and South Dakota, enjoyed greater incomes than in 1937. Their increase was five per cent.

All other states saw their farmers grow poorer while following the administration's distorted policy of restricting production. The farmers' fellow sufferers in the city—the 11½-million jobless—meanwhile became hungrier and more depressed.

Dairymen Expect Price Rise After High Court Ruling

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Dairy farmers in several states look hopefully for higher prices for their milk as a result of the United States Supreme Court decision upholding milk marketing orders in the New York and Boston areas.

The orders, in accordance with the milk provisions of the 1937 agricultural marketing law, established minimum prices to be paid producers.

Insofar as the purpose was to give the farmer a fair price for his product, the orders had merit. This was demonstrated when, after a lower court had invalidated them, milk prices fell from $1.88 a hundred pounds to $1.05.

However, the orders also provide for the control of the volume of milk to be marketed.

In a nation where millions of undernourished children and adults are deprived of the healthful benefits of milk because the price exceeds what they are able to pay, production and marketing should not be restricted.

Other industries have proven the success of great volume turnover. Mass production in the automobile industry, for example, enabled manufacturers to produce more cars at lower costs, costs low enough to permit sales at prices within the reach of the working man.

The same theory should be applied to distribution of agricultural products.

Administration thinkers proceed on the premise that the country is plagued with over-production, that large surpluses exist which cannot be absorbed. True, they cannot be absorbed as long as millions of persons needing those products are unable to purchase them.

Provide those millions with adequate purchasing power and the alleged surpluses would disappear like generals in a Russian purge.

Six Sentenced for Misuse of W.P.A.

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA—A conspiracy to use W.P.A. labor for their own private purposes has netted prison terms and fines for five former city officials of Kokomo, Indiana.

Sentenced by Federal Judge J. Leroy Adair to 15 months in prison were Olin R. Holt, former mayor and W.P.A. superintendent; Carl J. Broo, former city attorney; and George H. Morrow, former city engineer.

Mel Good, former city clerk, and George Mix, former assistant city engineer, each received a $5,000 fine and a sentence of two years. Lincoln F. Record, former W.P.A. project superintendent, escaped with a three-month sentence and no fine.

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Here's What We Warned You Against

'Champions' Stand to Become 'Chump-ions'

READING, PA.—When politicians begin talking about "championing world democracy," it's time to perk up your ears and watch out. Otherwise—zowie! World War!

Two years ago anyone in the street would have laughed if you suggested that the shabby, discredited, deceitful World War slogan: "We must make the world safe for democracy," could be trotted out with any success.

But today it is back again, in good standing and finding warm reception under different phrasing. At the Albright College commencement here, George S. Messersmith, Assistant Secretary of State, spoke glowingly of this country as a leading champion of democracy in the world—a world suffering from a "breakdown of international morality."

" . . . It has become a part of this country's task," he said, "to be one of the principal champions of the principles of democratic government. A policy of isolation for the United States would be in no sense realistic, and any policy based on the thought that such isolation could be maintained would lead us into troubled waters."

Those "troubled waters" of isolation would be much more acceptable, it would seem, than the mad, foaming, swirling, sucking maelstrom mess of European warfare. Mr. Messersmith unconsciously becomes a propagandist for war, senseless, wasteful, tragic, horrible war, when he condemns our minding our own business and asks that we mind someone else's.

"Most nations," Mr. Messersmith continued, "use arms only to 'serve the cause of justice'." Those nations, of course, are Britain, France, the United States and Russia, who gained vast land holdings by conquest.

This is the kind of stuff we told you to watch out for. There'll be a-plenty of it, a-plenty.

New Deal of Today Simply Old Rome in New Dress, Book Shows

A.A.A., W.P.A., H.O.L.C., F.S.C.C. Etc.—Old Stuff

NEW YORK, N. Y. — The New Deal will not last forever—we hope —and long after it has paid off the last P.W.A. contractor with a satchelful of bankruptcy bonds, some enterprising historian is going to write some surprising things.

Some surprising things about the New Deal have been written already, of course, but more surprising things are in store. History probably will bracket the good old days of the New Deal along with the good old days of Rome under the Caesars.

For there is a surprising parallel between the bread and circuses of the New Deal, and the bread and circuses of the fallen empire; between the A.A.A., sit-down strikes, W.P.A., dole and other identifying moles on the New Deal face, and similar fizzeleros of ancient Rome.

F. D. ROOSEVELT

As a matter of fact the parallel is being drawn already, while the New Deal is yet a child. (Seven years is a child's age, and there is no indication the New Deal has reached the age of "reason.") Henry J. Haskell, editor of the *Kansas City Star*, has published a book, *"The New Deal in Old Rome,"* that sets forth an amazing similarity between the governmental system of one J. Augustus Caesar and that of one F. Delano Roosevelt. The book is reviewed capably by Carlos F. Hurd, *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* staffer.

J. A. CAESAR

Rome's New Deal got an early start, in 376 B.C. when the people elected one Licinius Stolo, the first New Dealer of the Roman world. He came to power in a depression, whipped through a small holdings act, proposed a moratorium on debts, and coded a complete reform program.

In 352 B.C. the administration, facing an election perhaps, set up a sort of federal land bank and a sort of farm debt-slicing organization that accomplished some good. The New Deal has both of these agencies, also doing some good.

The government debt was reduced by revaluing the bronze coin of the time, and currency stabilization followed. There appeared a pair of smart politicians, the Gracchi brothers, Gaius Gracchus and Tiberius Gracchus. Tiberius was a preview of Attorney General Frank Murphy, who earned his fame as a smasher of political bosses. Gaius was a Roosevelt who cracked through with a series of experiments designed to aid the farmer, the unemployed and little business.

But, like all others of his kind, Gaius was vote-greedy. Feeling, perhaps, that vote-control lay through the passage of reform laws, Gaius pumped the empire full of them. He had his own W.P.A., Resettlement Administration, "Ever-normal granary," price-stabilization, and a two-price system to sell food at subsidized prices to certain classes.

Then Julius Caesar took over. He was strong for P.W.A., erecting bathhouses, temples, streets, roads, public buildings, aqueducts. He passed out free grain for a time, then abolished it. The relief rolls mounted. Faced with a cut in relief appropriation, he combed the lists and threw out the aliens. Then he started his own predecessor of the H.O.L.C.

The vineyard situation was such that, a few decades later, an Agricultural Adjustment Administration was set up to limit the acreage planted in grapes and destroy crops. The system flopped.

Strikes were not common, for the countryside abounded in slave labor. But one day in Roman Egypt a group of quarry workers balked at being transferred from one project to another. They informed their employers that if the transfer were attempted, they would "go out to the old place and sit down," and thus was the New Deal's sit-down born. At another time, when it was learned the Emperor ordered the Roman mint closed, workers barricaded themselves inside the building and were driven out with violent means. Several were killed.

In general, in old Rome, the New Deal built up relief rolls for political purposes. The dole was first tolerated, then encouraged, bringing with it unmanageable pressure groups. The citizens learned to expect "something for nothing"—and got it.

To support these "reforms" the government resorted to wild, unlimited spending. This solidified the soldiery and the citizenry in all its classifications into powerful political groups. Their expenses brought suffocating taxation, frequent currency devaluation, and a gradual sapping of the strength of the middle class.

In short the New Deal of Rome was the New Deal of today. Rome fell—and how! And Mr. Roosevelt's New Deal? Well, those historians will tell you all about it.

ICKESESE

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Among the latest-recorded beliefs of that strange individual, Mr. Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of the Interior, are these:

George Washington, who opposed the third term idea, was not opposed to it.

I, Harold, do not want Mr. Roosevelt to run again, yet I want him to be President a third time.

Any Democrat who opposes Mr. Roosevelt on any grounds whatsoever is a backstabber and a traitor.

All prospective Democratic candidates, save Mr. Roosevelt, are nothing but a lot of bums anyway.

General Coxey Finds Self in Bad at 'Work Congress'

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Hungry, harried, hard-bitten old General Jacob S. Coxey, pioneer bread marcher, hitched his belt a few notches tighter and told the National Right-To-Work Congress here that if this country doesn't have honest money, the rest is unimportant.

How the General could have any use for the National Right-To-Work Congress and vice-versa is hard to understand. For the General is an old-line campaigner whose exploits pre-date Bolshevism as it is known. He might have been called a "radical" in his day, but in 1939 he is by contrast as American as the star spangled britches on an Uncle Sam cartoon.

The National Right-To-Work Congress, on the other hand, was as red as a fire truck manufacturer's convention exhibit. In the first place it is sponsored by the Workers' Alliance —Dave Lasser's promotion which aims to swipe the W.P.A. from the New Deal and hand it over to Moscow. In the second place it presented a panel of speakers reminiscent of May Day in Union Square. Among them were Tom (I didn't plant that bomb) Mooney; Dr. Harry F. (They're all unAmerican but me) Ward; Congressman Vito (Let's lick the dirty Nazis) Marcantonio, of New York and the same David (Sure, Herb Benjamin's a Communist, but don't point your finger at me) Lasser, who gave the keynote address.

General Says We Must Lick Usury

But that's all beside the point. Old General Coxey happened to get into the hall, and addressed the delegates. He didn't score so well, because he didn't say the right things. The General, living in another era, perhaps felt that the leadership of these mass movements is as honest as most of the following, and felt a sympathetic interest in the affair.

The delegates, accustomed to thinking along the crafty plan advanced by their leaders, gave the General great hunks of coolness for his efforts when he knocked the ears off the international bankers, beat the table for honest money, and slambanged the harpies who live a parasitic existence on usury.

The General demanded flatly that the government go into the fiat money business, end immoral interest, balance the budget, pay off the national debt and thereby restore prosperity. Imagine such sanity at a National Right-To-Work Congress sponsored by the Workers' Alliance, caught redhanded several times!

Chairman 'Explains' For the General

The General went farther, whether the red leaders liked it or not. He said that Hitler drove the international bankers out of Germany simply by cleaning up on the usury racket and the dishonest money system in vogue, and prophesied the same thing for this country if it took similar action.

No, of course they didn't like it. To the Workers' Alliance this was heresy of the grossest sort. The chairman had to explain, when old Jacob sat down, that he and the convention didn't have much use for Hitler.

But Old Jacob had had his day, and in the lion's den at that. He sat down, and allowed his mind to drift back to that day, 'way back in 1893, B.B. (before Bolshevism) when he led his gallant, hungry army out of Massillon, Ohio, on to this city and demanded jobs and bread.

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No Place for Rapid Action or Secrecy in Foreign Policy

By **HON. JOHN M. VORYS**
Representative from Ohio

AS WE START into the consideration of so-called neutrality legislation we in Congress should bear in mind the important part that the President must take under our Constitution and the President will do well to bear in mind the responsibilities of Congress in determining our foreign policy. We hear a great deal of talk these days about naming the aggressor nations, and punishing them by measures short of war. One suggestion is that we permit our President to name aggressors and take sides by measures short of war, regardless of how little short of war these measures may prove.

What do you mean—aggressor? Granted that the President is, in international determinations, the sole judge and jury, he still does not make the laws of nations or define offenses against the laws of nations. Article I of our Constitution says that Congress shall have power, among other things, to "define and punish * * * offenses against the laws of nations." The definition and the punishment of offenses against the laws of nations must be unilateral in the present instance.

If we wish our government to visit unilateral punishment on nations that have offended, Congress, under our Constitution, has the duty to decide what are the offenses and what the punishment shall be. Merely to say this over, to attempt to write it down, shows the grave difficulty which confronts us when we attempt in a constitutional way to name and punish aggressors. Certainly we should not in an unconstitutional way give to the President the power to name and punish aggressors.

We criticize Italy, Germany, and Japan for two reasons: First, we do not like their internal form of government; second, they are attempting to secure more territory by conquest. Every one of us has a right to feel indignant about these two things, but should we now start, by official action or by official inaction through failing to limit the tendencies of the President in that direction, to punish these nations for absolutism and for conquest? We may have felt indignation, but we did not interfere during the conquests of Great Britain and France during the past century, possibly because we were making our own conquests. We may not have approved, but we did not intervene to correct the brutal absolute governments in Russia, Turkey, and in many of our neighboring countries to the South.

Let us try as a Congress to define the laws of nations and offenses against these laws which we as a nation are going to punish by war and by measures short of war. There should be nothing secret about this. In fact, open discussions should be helpful, first, to inform our people so that they, in turn, can give their views to the representatives; second, so that the world may know what we are doing. If we can restate or make a new statement of international law and offenses and punishments to fit modern conditions, we may be doing a great service to world peace and order. If we cannot agree on any such statement, we should prevent the President from doing it for us.

Once we have determined upon our foreign policy, its execution can be left to the secrecy and rapidity of executive action, but there is no place for secrecy and rapid action in formulating our international policy in these times.

Business Now Is Owned by Skyscrapers

By **HON. JOHN MARTIN**
Representative from Colorado

EVERY MAIN STREET in the country is becoming a mere link in a national chain hooked up to a handful of skyscrapers in a few big cities. The main streets in every town now look alike. The same familiar names on the signs. An independent manufacturer in my home city, employing several hundred men, said that the big fellows in his line have been trying to buy him out or break him for years.

We have the big three in the meat-packing industry; we have the big three in the automobile industry; we have the big four in the tire industry. Is there a monopoly in steel? If not, how does it come that 59 different steel companies made an identical bid, down to a cent, to the Navy? Identical grades of oil are the same price at every filling station in the United States, and there is never any war. I have paid exactly the same price for the same grade of oil, wherever I bought it, for 25 years. There is no competition anywhere except for business.

Hearings before the Interstate Commerce Committee showed that the automobile dealers in the United States, the tire dealers, and the oil and gas dealers, are regimented; that they have no control over their business whatever. They simply operate under revocable licenses and are ruined by the thousands annually.

Banks Own Stock While U.S. Must Guarantee to Pay

By **HON. WRIGHT PATMAN**
Representative from Texas

IN REGARD TO the use of gold, $15-billion in gold is sufficient for the issuance of $37½-billion of government credit based upon a 40 per cent gold reserve. If we were to issue this credit quickly or suddenly it would be ruinous inflation and would absolutely destroy our financial system and we do not want that to happen. It is not the thing to do. But we can gradually and eventually use this gold for the purpose of issuing government credit. The best way, I think, is for the government to first own the Federal Reserve banks. We have these 12 banks which are not government banks. They are not Federal banks. They are owned by private banks. Not one penny of their stock is owned by the government. The private banks have invested $134-million only in those 12 great institutions.

When those 12 banks want bonds, in open-market transactions, they buy those bonds. They own now $2½-billion of government bonds. On whose credit were those bonds purchased? Why, on the government's credit.

Take a Federal Reserve note that you have in your possession or examine any Federal Reserve note and you will find on it that the Federal Reserve banks do not agree to pay that money. You will find that the United States Government guarantees payment of that note, which is a blanket mortgage on the property of all the people of this country.

Confidence in Youth: We Leave Them a Debt of $50-Million to Pay

By **HON. CHARLES L. GIFFORD**
Representative from Massachusetts

I SAID TO THE students of a large high school last week that we have wonderful confidence in the boys and girls of these days. "You have wonderful schools and are having wonderful training. I can prove to you that the Congress of the United States has remarkable and full confidence in you, because we are piling up a debt of $50-billion, believing that you are to be willing and competent to pay it."

Tolerance for Communism Is Evident Here

By **HON. J. THORKELSON**
Representative from Montana

OUR MOST DANGEROUS enemies are those who advocated Socialism and Communism, and it would be much more sensible on our part if we closed our borders to them. These people and their philosophy will in time destroy us as they have destroyed nations in Europe. The time is coming when all of us must be 100 per cent American instead of half this and half that. Our enemies are here, and evidence of their presence may be found in stagnant industry, closed business, and unemployment. The power of this enemy is evident in federally-owned corporations which are now destroying private industries. It is evident in privileged ownership and control of the nation's gold, and our worthless domestic managed currency system.

Further evidence that we tolerate Communism may be found in our attitude toward Mexico, which deliberately, without fear or consideration, confiscated American property. We do not find Fascism or Naziism in Mexico, but we do find Communism there, and the home of Leon Trotzky.

Can it be possible that this is the reason for our "good neighbor" attitude toward Mexico, for which we sacrificed national prestige in failure to protect our own and a friendly nation's investments?

It is certainly high time for Congress to set the Federal Government right, and for its members to act as statesmen instead of "rubber stamps." The State Department should be corrected in respect to its foreign policy, and be required to cancel trade pacts and restore our home markets to domestic producers, and that includes our farmers, both North and South.

Our Policies Make the Reds That We Talk of Destroying

By **HON. WILLIAM LEMKE**
Representative from North Dakota

ANY INTELLIGENT PERSON knows that a farmer can no more continue in business by selling the things we eat, drink, and wear for less than it costs him to produce them than a businessman can stay in business and sell goods for less than he pays for them. If they do they will both become insolvent.

The 12-million unemployed, and the one farmer out of every five who lost his farm, are more dangerous to our democracy than the combined armies of Hitler, Mussolini, and Stalin.

We are greatly excited over communistic and un-American activities. Why should we want to destroy the Communists? We make them. We prepare the soil in which they grow. We prepare the seed bed of rags, filth, hunger, want, and all-around poverty and misery. This is the soil in which un-Americanism thrives. We attack the effect and forget all about the cause. Let us clean up these seed beds and grow good Americans.

Government Is Now Incidental to Dole Relief

By **HON. LELAND M. FORD**
Representative from California

I AM NOT GOING to quote you many statistics, but am going to quote some figures taken from a graphic statement issued with every tax bill in Los Angeles County, giving an accounting as to how much and where we received the money to run government and what happened to that money, or, in other words, how it was spent. This statement was sent out so that taxpayers could see what was going on in order that they might become "charity relief cost conscious" and to get their reaction. We got their reaction. Most people do not realize the relative cost of the relief program to government nor its restrictive and limiting effect upon the necessary functions of government.

The total shown here, which is the total budget of that county, is $57,-715,000. Sixty per cent of this total went to charity relief—in round figures, $35-million. This was startling information not only to many officials but to our people as a whole to find that the item of charity relief had become larger, bigger, greater than the combined total of the other 53 departments of government. This graph showed that out of a tax levy of $34-million, against it for payment was $35-million for the one item of charity relief alone.

The only way that government was carried on was due to the fact that there was a $4½-million surplus, which we collected in miscellaneous revenue, and that the State government and the United States Government had given $14,600,000 to the county. In other words, it shows that if it were not for this aid received from the Federal Government the county government could not have been carried on at all under the prevailing conditions. The county tax rate has jumped from 72 cents to $1.52. This does not include the city rates.

Nobody Knows How Far U.S. Debt Will Go

By **HON. JOHN M. ROBSION**
Representative from Kentucky

THE NATIONAL DEBT is now more than $40-billion. There should be added to this the guaranties the government has made of principal and interest of $5,600,000,000 in bonds issued by various Federal agencies. These bonds have been issued and sold and the proceeds disbursed by this administration. These guaranties will no doubt cost the taxpayers of the nation $1-billion or more. Now we are giving F.H.A. the right to guarantee at least $4-billion worth of mortgages at 90 per cent of their face value and payable over a period of 26 years.

Two distinguished United States Senators stated on the floor of the Senate more than a year ago, that the obligations of the United States Government were at least $45-billion. Since that time these obligations have been increased nearly $5-billion more.

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This Year's Deficit to Be $4-Billion, Says Rich

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Representative Robert F. Rich of Pennsylvania is a member of the House Committee on Appropriations. Every so often he rises, asks unanimous consent to address the House for one minute, and to revise and extend his own remarks in the *Record*. He then proceeds to expound to the disinterested House members, the financial state of the nation.

"I wish to call your attention to the fact that according to the Treasury statement of May 27 you are now $3,212,000,000 in the red for this year, a dreadful financial position." To which an apathetical House rests its chin on its hand and waits for his minute to expire.

However Representative Rich's comments may offend the ears of administration spenders, the fact remains that he does have the picture of America's cash account. Recently he summarized for the Congress, the appropriation situation for this session, as of June 1. The appropriations, he said, already totaled more than $7½-billion. He listed them as follows:

Totals of appropriation bills passed at this session to date

Appropriation bills passed for 1940:

	Amount
Agriculture Department and Farm Credit Administration	$1,218,666,572.00
District of Columbia	46,915,207.00
Independent offices	1,668,218,340.00
Interior Department	172,679,765.23
Legislative establishment	21,985,779.00
Navy Department	773,049,151.00
Labor Department	30,747,780.00
State, Justice and Commerce Departments	121,399,120.00
Treasury and Post Office Departments	1,700,613,054.00
War Department:	
Military activities	508,789,224.00
Civil functions	305,188,514.00
First deficiency, 1939	23,765,041.89
Second deficiency, 1939	157,619,059.89
Work relief and relief, 1939	725,000,000.00
Additional work relief and relief, 1939	100,000,000.00
Employees' Compensation Commission	2,000,000.00
Additional appropriation, printing, binding, and stationery, Treasury Department	276,400.00
Total	7,576,915,608.01

And Congress will be asked to appropriate more than $2,000,000,000 more:

Additional estimates pending for which no bill has been reported

Estimated expenditure for—Work relief and relief, 1940	$1,762,490,000.00
War Department, supplemental, 1940	239,002,500.00
Third deficiency, 1939	3,334,397.12
Total of pending estimates	2,004,826,897.12
Grand total, appropriations and estimates	9,581,742,505.13
Estimated revenue for 1940	5,669,000,000.00
Estimated deficit for 1940	3,912,742,505.00

Tax Rate Now Higher Than Ever Before

WASHINGTON, D. C.—You now pay 22 per cent of your income in federal, state and local taxation. This, says the report of the National Industrial Conference Board, is a greater percentage of taxation than in any other year since records were kept.

Total collections by all authorities for 1938 amounted to $13,700,000,000. This means $105 was paid in taxes for every man, woman and child in the United States, or a per capita tax of $317 on every person with a job.

The American Petroleum Institute made a special report of the taxes paid by the oil industry for 1938. The money collected in taxes from that industry last year was greater than the total paid to all of its employes in salary, or all of the dividends paid to stockholders.

One oil company, the Standard Oil of Indiana, which employed 30,000 persons last year, paid taxes amounting to $97,485,205, or "enough to pay salaries of $2,000 a year to 48,742 state and federal employes." In other words, though the company only employed 30,000 of its own workers, it paid government enough to employ almost 50,000 workers. Other oil companies reported similar complaints at their huge tax bills.

Oil taxation, like that on any other form of consumer goods, is passed on to the consumer who pays and pays for the taxes which government claims to have levied against big business.

New Deal Senators Will Vote on Third Term Issue

WASHINGTON, D. C.—If Mr. Roosevelt will not express himself on his intentions regarding a third term, Senator Holt of West Virginia sees no reason why Congress should not do so.

RUSH HOLT

The resolution introduced by the West Virginia Senator is identical with that of House of Representatives in 1876, when President Ulysses Grant aspired to a third term, and the Senate resolution in 1928 to prevent Calvin Coolidge's re-election to the Presidency.

"It is the sense of the Senate," the Holt proposal reads, "that the precedent established by Washington and other Presidents of the United States in retiring from the presidential office after their second term, has become, by universal concurrence, a part of our republican system of government, and that any departure from this time-honored custom would be unwise, unpatriotic, and fraught with peril to our free institutions."

The Holt proposal has come at a rather uncomfortable time for the New Deal Senators. If they reject it, which they seem inclined to do, their vote would be interpreted by the New Deal as an indorsement of the third term idea. But some of them, including majority leader Senator Barkley, cannot very well oppose the Holt proposal and remain consistent with their 1928 opinion, when they even made speeches against the idea of a third term.

Of the 17 Democratic senators who voted against a "third term" for President Coolidge (on principle, they said, and not for party or political reasons), only about three or four would be inclined to the same principle in 1939. The Democrats who are faced with the task of repudiating either principle or party, are Senators Ashurst of Arizona, Barkley of Kentucky, George of Georgia, Gerry of Rhode Island, Glass of West Virginia, Harrison of Mississippi, Hayden of Arizona, King of Utah, McKellar of Tennessee, Neely of West Virginia, Pittman of Nevada, Sheppard of Texas, Smith of South Carolina, Thomas of Oklahoma, Tydings of Maryland, Wagner of New York and Wheeler of Montana.

In view of the strong party loyalty still extant among New Deal Democrats, it is more than likely that they will oppose the Holt resolution, and make Mr. Roosevelt "the exception" to their principles of wisdom, patriotism and freedom in a republic.

Borah Says: Why Not Collect Some Foreign Revenue?

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Until the respective taxation plans of Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Morgenthau, Mr. Hanes, the Chamber of Commerce, the New Deal Democrats, the Republicans, the other Democrats, big business and the press find some common denominator of agreement, the tax question will be a political tussle and something for the columnists to write about.

The object of the arguments, of course, is to attain the greatest possible revenue for the government with the least possible objection from the victims.

Senator William E. Borah of Idaho has offered one of the sanest suggestions for collecting the revenue, but of course, the suggestion will not be considered seriously. The Idaho Senator cannot quite see the point of Congress storming and fretting over the last dollar it hopes to wrest from the American taxpayer, while we allow millions in debts abroad to go unpaid.

"Some committee of Congress ought to have something to say," remarked the Senator, "about some $12-billion slipping out of our hands without any effort whatever being made to collect it."

Dole Clearance Is New Task for House Committee

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Between one-fourth and one-third of the persons on W.P.A. relief rolls have not a legitimate relief status, according to testimony before the House subcommittee holding hearings on the new relief measure.

It was disclosed that almost half of the persons on the federal writers' projects had no right to relief funds, and that 75 per cent of those on the theater projects were likewise unneedful of the dole.

The committee is working on a formula to clear the W.P.A. rolls of persons not in need of the funds.

Money Lending Is 1940 Plan For Recovery

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The sign of the three balls will soon replace the American eagle as an American symbol if Congress accepts many more of the administration's suggestions for lending the country into recovery by 1940.

Senator James M. Mead of New York has tacked his name to the administration authored bill to insure loans by private banks to small industry. The system would follow the same lines as the present Federal Housing Administration, insuring 90 per cent of the loans to business instead of builders. The program is being suggested this time in place of the usual New Deal policy of "spending" America into recovery.

The new proposal, which has possibilities of growing into a multi-billion dollar project once it is approved, would come under the jurisdiction of the new consolidated federal lending agency which also handles government lending for the R.F.C., Electric Home and Farm Authority, R.F.C. Mortgage Co., Disaster Loan Corporation, Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank Board, H.O.L.C., Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, the F.H.A. and the Export-Import Bank.

It is another advance towards the complete government control of credit, and really amounts to the federal government embarking on the general underwriting business.

No sooner had Senator Mead introduced this bill to have the United States finance small business, than did New Deal advisers begin urging action to create a Public Works Finance Corporation. As explained by A. A. Berle, assistant secretary of state and original New Deal advocate of the socialization of credit theories, the public or quasi-public banks would supplant the private banking system, in financing both governmental and commercial enterprises. This plan, says one newspaper correspondent, would "spend the country into socialism."

Senate Committee Gives Money O.K. to President

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A 5 to 4 decision in the subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Banking and Finance, has brought the Stabilization Fund Bill (S. 910), which had been held up in committee for six weeks, into the open. Already passed by the House, the bill extends for two years the President's power to devalue the dollar, which power would otherwise expire on June 30.

The measure also extends, until 1941, the $2-billion Stabilization Fund. Although there may be some opposition in the Senate to the renewal of the Stabilization Fund, because it was used more for the advantage of the gold nations of Europe than for stabilization of American currency, an even greater objection is likely to attend the extension of the President's money powers.

Treasury officials have assured Congress that the President has no intention of further devaluing the dollar (the measure permits him to devalue the gold content from 59 to 50 cents), but they insist that he be given the continued authority to do so.

Senator Carter Glass of Virginia, chairman of the subcommittee, had succeeded in keeping the bill on the shelf until majority leader Senator Barkley of Kentucky and Senator Wagner of New York appeared before Senator Glass with the proxy votes of Senators Byrnes of South Carolina, Miller of Arkansas, Bankhead of Alabama and Smathers of New Jersey, and announced that the majority of the subcommittee had approved the bill and that it was to be reported out of committee.

By devaluing the gold dollar to 50 cents, the President could make a "profit" of $2,700,000,000 on the $15-billion gold supply, which is an important fact for Senators to remember when the treasury calmly assures them that the President has no intentions whatever of using the devaluation power.

The $2-billion Stabilization Fund was created from the profit made in 1934 when the President devalued the gold dollar.

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Letters

(We aim to make this a free forum and readers' opinions are invited. Naturally the views expressed are not always those of this magazine.—EDITOR.)

Defense of Rights

TO THE EDITOR:

I trust a few comments on the interesting "Letters" appearing in your May 15th edition will not be out of order.

Regarding the problem of the salesmen of SOCIAL JUSTICE in New York City, may I suggest that while they should not instigate trouble, they should defend their Christian rights when interfered with, and not wait until they are struck from the back and have the papers torn from their hands. To strike out swift and hard is the only redress they may expect, for the courts seem packed with sympathizers of Communists.

For years Christians have been insulted while riding in the subway by having *New Masses* and the *Daily Worker* pushed in their faces by brazen fanatics, sure of protection by lawyers and judges ready to spring to their defense when an angered Christian protested.

I think that Jessie Melanson Snow will find a reply to her question regarding Dorothy Thompson on the Moscow payroll for the dissemination of communistic propaganda in the United States. Like so many alleged "brilliant minds" Miss Thompson occasionally oversteps herself. She has her following, naturally, but she would be surprised at the number of middle-class Americans who see straight and think straight. They have her number and think about as highly of her as they do of Benedict Arnold.

—NEW YORKER

New York City

Deluge of Letters

TO THE EDITOR:

About two months ago I wrote a letter concerning the activities of our organization, the Erie County Civic and Social Club, which you were kind enough to print in SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. In our letter to you we explained that we felt the greatest need today is monetary reform and that we had undertaken an educational program which we hoped would appeal to the people of our community.

We contacted the Hon. Charles Binderup and secured his permission to reprint and distribute the series of lectures on Government Monetary Reform which he delivered during the closing days of the 75th Congress.

Our object in writing to you was a hope that other organizations might feel encouraged to do something similar but never in our wildest dreams did we envisage such a deluge of letters which descended upon us. *Several hundred letters from eighteen states and Canada requested samples of our pamphlet* and as a result we have filled dozens of orders and they are still coming.

Therefore, we feel that we are in a very great measure indebted to you and SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine for the unprecedented success we have enjoyed and so on behalf of the officers and members of our club may I say "Thank you!"

—ELMER J. PETERS, *Pres.*

Erie County Civic & Social Club.
Erie, Pa

Apology for Press

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to suggest to all Americans a studied reading of Eugene Lyons' *"Assignment in Utopia."*

It not only warns humanity against Communist propaganda but shows up as well the Lowell Thomas type of news commentators — the kind who would drag from his grave one dead but honest newspaper man to whitewash the whole lot of newspaper editors, writers, etc.

If the tired Americans are too busy to read the above-mentioned book of 684 pages in its entirety, at least they should read Chapter XV, *"The Press Corps Conceals a Famine,"* (pages 572 to 580). It is an apology for newsdom ganging up on one honest reporter.

—MARGARET COYLE

Philadelphia, Pa.

STARS AND STRIPES LAST TO FLY

TO THE EDITOR:

Co-operating with the Rev. Edward Lodge Curran and many other patriotic Americans who protested the prominence of the Soviet emblem over the American flag at the New York World's Fair, the Paul Revere Sentinels, Inc. served written notice on Mr. Grover Whalen that the Stars and Stripes must be hoisted above the Soviet emblem of blood and murder.

At the same time they offered to erect at once on the grounds, the tallest flag pole in the world. Mr. Whalen's immediate answer was requested, with permission for the Paul Reveres to erect the pole.

When Mr. Whalen failed to answer after five days, the Reveres secured land space on the highest point in Corona, Long Island, right at the main entrance to the world's fair, and contracted for a 450-foot pole and a 20-foot American flag, with an accompanying ten-foot cross. They made hurried arrangements for the erection of a shrine in stone and concrete to be topped with the pole and flag, the whole to be ready for dedication with benediction and suitable patriotic services by July 4.

Presumably on learning that the Reveres meant business, Mr. Whalen allotted the 250-foot base of the fair's parachute jump and added a 40-foot flag pole atop it to carry the Stars and Stripes 290 feet in the air —or some 30 feet above the red star on the tower of the Soviet exhibit.

The flag was thus unfurled on Memorial Day at 4 p.m. without any patriotic ceremony and without city or state officials either present or approving.

The United States flag was the last flag unfurled prominently at the Fair, and then only ungraciously, and under pressure with the Communists objecting.

J. F. O'KELLY

President, Paul Reveres

New York, N. Y.

Chicago Americans

TO THE EDITOR:

The patriotic war veterans of Chicago are to be commended for their excellent display of Americanism at the time of the Memorial Day celebrations.

When it came time for the parade plans to be completed it was learned that the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, the group of red sympathizers who fought for Communism in Loyalist Spain, were planning to march along with the veterans.

Immediately the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the United Spanish War Veterans served notice that they would not march in the parade if the Loyalist brigade were permitted to do so. Their spokesmen asserted that the Abraham Lincoln Brigade was composed of reds with un-American principles and as such had no place in a United States patriotic demonstration.

It is unfortunate that such incidents receive so little publicity in the press, but it is nonetheless cheering to know that our number one patriots in Chicago would still rank as number one Americans anywhere.

—J. N. CLARK

Chicago, Ill.

Vanishing Retailers

TO THE EDITOR:

We, the representatives of the Retail Food Industry, have been trying to bring fair trade practices to our state, but due to our state spoils system, we have been unsuccessful.

We suffer from unfair competition with large monopolies who are able to undersell us. For example, so-called "Super-Markets" advertise such articles of necessity as five-pound bags of Gold Medal Flour at 19c per bag, which is 2c under the jobber's price. Retailers must sell the same product at 25c. Similarly, Swift's and Honey Brand Hams are sold by "Super-Markets" at 25c when the wholesale price is 25½c. There are many other such discriminating prices.

The Retail Food Dealers have been wondering how this cut-throat competition can be checked before some 5,000 private store owners close their doors because of bankruptcy.

The Detroit Retail Meat Merchants Association has campaigned for fair prices to all merchants, but has failed to obtain the needed backing from State officials. They don't believe in any legislation to help those who voted them into office. Even Clyde V. Fenner stated that it would be useless to bring up a Fair Trade Bill because the lobbyists against such measures are too powerful.

Any attention you can give this problem will be a Godsend to the independent merchants of Michigan, many of whom are on their last stand—they even applied for loans from the R.F.C. and were refused.

—HARRY PROVO, JR.

Detroit Retail Meat Merchants Assn.
Detroit, Mich.

To Our Interest

TO THE EDITOR:

It seems like some are opposed to a priest's activities outside the church. They would have us baptized in a world about which priests have nothing to say. They would have us receive Communion, be confirmed, marry and live in a world under the same circumstances.

As a practical demonstration that such an attitude is not to our best interest and likewise our country's welfare, permit me to call their attention to California in her palmiest days when the Franciscans introduced irrigation to the territory and made agriculture a pleasure, to say nothing of the arts and crafts.

The people never lived so well before nor after the days of California's glorious Mission era.

—JOHN P. DONOVAN

Chicago, Ill.

BERGDOLL NOT A TRAITOR

TO THE EDITOR:

I am a World War veteran, disabled in the service of my country. I hear people criticize and condemn Bergdoll. The daily press calls him a "traitor," a "draft dodger," an "army slacker" — in fact, everything but a human being.

Having become enlightened as to the real reasons why I and my buddies were led into the World War, I ask in honest conviction, "What constitutes a traitor?"

If evading a selective draft labels one a "traitor" for life, then will some kind person tell me—

What are men who sell the means of war—the ammunition, guns and things with which to kill and slaughter?

What are men who try to create wars for profits—greedy, mercenary persons who use every deceitful means to bring it about?

What are men who scheme and plot and spread the doctrines of war and hate for thirty dirty pieces of silver?

What are editors or owners of newspapers and magazines who fill their publications with glaring hate-spreading headlines to create a war hysteria?

And finally—what are the men who were elected to public office, who swore to God to uphold, protect and defend the Constitution, and then tried to hurl us into another world of horror while their masters grow richer and greedier?

I ask these Pontius Pilate politicians and the warmongers, war profiteers and newspaper editors—I ask them to look in a mirror or open that closet door and drag out their own skeleton of traitorous murder and political debauchery which calls to high heaven for vengeance. Get down on your knees in some corner with God—you and your skeleton —and ask Him if this man Bergdoll is any part as much a traitor as are you.

As an ex-veteran who is willing to serve again in a necessary, defensive war, I would rather clasp the hand of Grover Bergdoll than that of you Judas Iscariot warmongers and flag-waving patriots.

—*A "Vet."*—E. W. B.

Philadelphia, Pa.

A British Reply

TO THE EDITOR:

I frequently read SOCIAL JUSTICE and greatly admire the splendid fight Father Coughlin is making against the international warmongers.

I am sorry to observe from time to time, however, an anti-British tone creeping into some of your articles. Please understand once and for all that it is not Britain that wants war, but the Jewish Hidden Hand which tries to control H.M. Government. The ordinary "man in the street" is bewildered by the lies poured forth by the Jew-controlled press, radio and cinema.

Who are the people here in Britain who want war? Not the ordinary folk; not the aristocracy (who were robbed of political power by the Jew-inspired Parliament Act of 1911, which curtailed the power of the House of Lords); not the "retired officer" class. No, sir, the people here who want war against Germany are the same type as your own warmongers—viz. Jewish financiers, the Communist Party, the "Labour" Party, and the pale pink "intellectuals" and "parlour Bolsheviks" of the League of Nations Union, the Opposition Liberal Party, the Civil Liberties Union, etc., etc.

To include "British imperialism" amongst the warmongers is bunk. The warmongers of today are the very people who, up to little over a year ago, were always attacking the Empire as "a blot on the face of the earth" and calling the Union Jack "the symbol of slavery." The mob that marched up and down Whitehall last September, chanting "Stand by the Czechs," and "Down with Chamberlain," did not wave Union Jacks or sing *"God Save the King," "Rule Britannia" and "Land of Hope and Glory"* — on the contrary, they raised clenched fists and sang the *"Internationale"* and the *"Red Flag."* Surely, you don't think they were "British imperialists"!

By confounding Britain with the warmongers you are playing into the hands of the warmongers, as you are enabling them to say to the British public: "Look, our enemies are also your enemies. Therefore, your interests and ours are identical."

Your issue of May 15th should have read, "Jews in Britain Make New Try to Entangle America." Why confound the ordinary decent Englishman with the Jewish war clique?

Let us cease calling each other nasty names and unite against the common foe.

—H. JAMES

Great Yarmouth,
Norfolk, England

Commends Article

TO THE EDITOR:

Congressman Angell's article in the May 29th issue of SOCIAL JUSTICE is meaty, concise and instructive. How often I have wished to glean just the information he gives so plainly and briefly.

It should be published several times, as it—more than any propaganda or oratory — would prevent the United States from becoming a victim again to the rapacious British lion.

We have seven per cent of the world's population and six per cent of the world's area; still Johnny Bull must drain our last drop of blood for his own selfish aims.

—I. F.

Chicago, Ill.

Seek the Cause

TO THE EDITOR:

For the information of Mr. McArthur, "Superintendent of Schools," every honest Christian—including Father Coughlin—does condemn every warlike act of Hitler, but he does not lose sight of the fact that the Hitler war philosophy is a result, and not a cause. If one is the least bit scientific, beginnings are sought in causes and not in results.

Furthermore, since Mr. McArthur does "not see any good in writing and reading a lot of essays on peace"—is that any sensible reason why the fathers and mothers whose children attend the schools he superintends, should not see any good in them? Undoubtedly, these fathers and mothers have an outlook on life far more hopeful and bright than his philosophy of death by the sword or starvation.

It would seem that the evil of dictatorship he condemns in Hitler becomes a virtue when he is the dictator, and that the Christian purpose of life by honest democratic means is impossible of attainment — therefore, Russia with its panacea for peace via the liquidation of organized religion and boycotts of every description, radio and otherwise.

—A. J. CRONENBERGER

West Orange, N. J.

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Relief Bosses Lax on Frauds

Contractors Cheat W.P.A. But Escape Punishment

WASHINGTON, D. C.—It has been pointed out repeatedly that maladministration of W.P.A. accounts for much of the exorbitant expense of that agency and for the inability of thousands of worthy unemployed to secure relief jobs.

Recently before a House investigating committee, Ralph Hale, a committee investigator, testified his staff of 18 men would need five years to track down all phases of the corruption already discovered in surface investigations.

He cited one instance wherein mismanagement by W.P.A. officials allowed 16 New York contractors to swindle the government out of $45,000 worth of dynamite which had been ordered for blasting purposes.

The contractors billed the W.P.A. for the dynamite and received the money, although the dynamite never was delivered.

Later the accounting department stumbled across the deal and forced the contractors to return the $45,000.

Instead of prosecuting the cheaters, W.P.A. overlooked the incident and continued doing business with them, Hale testified.

It was explained that the government contract with the contractors made no provision for prosecution even though the latter had been caught red-handed in an attempt to steal $45,000 from American taxpayers.

In another case cited by Hale the city of New York made a profit of $54,000 in two years on the operation of Camp LaGuardia, a W.P.A.-sponsored project for rehabilitating hoboes.

As a result of such careless, wreckless distribution of government funds, even the unprecedented appropriations for relief fail to provide adequately for all the hungry and needy who deserve government aid.

Catholic Daughters of America Protest Amlie Appointment

LONG BEACH, LONG ISLAND—With the declaration that they are opposed to "governmental representation by collectivists," the Catholic Daughters of America recently adopted a vigorous protest against the appointment of Radical Thomas Amlie as special assistant attorney general.

The resolution was approved unanimously at the organization's convention. It proposed that each of the 201 councils represented send copies of the resolution to President Roosevelt, who was responsible for Amlie's appointment, and to Attorney General Frank Murphy, under whom Amlie will serve.

Several months ago the President nominated Amlie to the Interstate Commerce Commission, but the candidate's known radical philosophy provoked such a storm of criticism in the Senate that his name was withdrawn.

At hearings before a Senate subcommittee several witnesses testified that Amlie was sympathetic to Communism. Persons from his home state, Wisconsin, declared him to be a Red. Amlie denied the charges, but admitted frankly that he approved "collectivism."

President Roosevelt, however, found a spot for his radical friend. Nomination to the new post does not require Senate confirmation.

Priest Asks Congress to Curb Obscene Magazines

WASHINGTON, D. C. — A militant campaign against obscene literature reached the attention of Congress last week when the Rev. S. J. Ryder, Fort Wayne, Indiana, asked the House Postoffice Committee to support legislation designed to curb risque magazines.

On behalf of the National Organization for Decency in Literature Father Ryder urged the Committee to approve a bill which would force periodicals to print the names of their publishers, editors and owners.

Such legislation, Father Ryder admitted, would not prevent distribution, but he declared it might be a means toward ultimate suppression of offensive publications.

Between 400 and 700 "sexy" periodicals are "flooding the country with filthy literature," he said.

Lewis Ignores Miners' Rights

DETROIT, MICHIGAN — C.I.O. Dictator John L. Lewis overrode the rights of thousands of mine workers in bleeding a union shop contract from Appalachian operators.

This fact was pointed out in a recent issue of the *Progressive Miner*, official organ of the Progressive Mine Workers of America, affiliated with the A.F.L.

During Lewis' negotiations with the operators, the paper said, the Progressive Miners notified 117 Appalachian coal companies that they represented a majority of men at 224 mines, and that their membership in those mines totaled 54,000 men who desired to be represented in collective bargaining by the Progressives rather than Lewis' United Mine Workers Union.

Similar notices were dispatched to Charles O'Neil, spokesman for the operators; Federal Mediator John Steelman, Madame Perkins and President Roosevelt, the paper stated.

Despite this, the paper charged, the Progressives' pleas were disregarded, and the operators signed with Lewis.

House Misses Target in Anti-Red Measure

REP. McCORMACK

Fails to Hit Communists Who Advocate Peaceful Overthrow of Government

WASHINGTON, D. C. — If the House was shooting at Communism last week when it passed the bill penalizing citizens who advocate overthrow of this government by force or violence, it missed the target.

With the best of intentions, no doubt, Representative John W McCormack of Massachusetts introduced the measure as a rider to a bill increasing penalties against spies.

If approved by the Senate and signed by the President, the measure will become the first peace-time Federal law providing for punitive action against United States citizens who advocate forceful overthrow of the government. It calls for a fine of not more than $5,000 and imprisonment for not more than five years, or both, for offenders.

As far as it goes the proposal is commendable, but it fails to take into account persons who advocate overthrow of the government by means other than force.

Communists, for example, have changed their tactics in the last few years. If violent revolution is unfeasible they are content to snatch control of the government by peaceful means. That fact, however, does not alter their fundamental philosophy, and it certainly does not make them a lesser menace to democracy.

Under the House proposal, however, they would be immune from punishment.

Aliens who advocate forceful overthrow of the government are subject to deportation. That law, too, fails to hit the mark, for it has the same defect as the House measure.

Sooner or later Congress will be forced to recognize that Reds, by forsaking violence as an expedient, have not reduced their danger to American democracy. Their program still includes a Stalin-like dictatorship under which American concepts of liberty would be discarded and Christianity would be outlawed.

Saw Franco Weep at Ceremony

NEW YORK, N. Y.—An eyewitness account of victorious Generalissimo Franco placing his sword on the altar of Santa Barbara Cathedral, Madrid, was related last week by Michael Williams, Catholic writer, upon his return from Spain.

Williams said Franco wept during the ceremony, which symbolized the Generalissimo's renunciation of the sword after its use in defense of Christianity.

Pope Pius XII lauded Franco as "the savior of Christianity" after his defeat of the Communist-Loyalist government against which he rebelled.

Also home last week from a trip to Spain was Mrs. Helen Nolan Neil, wife of Edward Neil, Associated Press correspondent, who was killed by Loyalist gunfire in January, 1938.

Mrs. Neil received a Spanish military cross, awarded posthumously to her husband by Generalissimo Franco. She said she had been unsuccessful in her search for Rev. Joaquin Bariero, Catholic priest who gave two blood transfusions to Neil in a futile effort to save his life.

Father Bariero was reported missing, Mrs. Neil said, after he had marched to the front with Franco's army.

Says Communists Gaining Control of Labor Party

Louis Waldman Discloses Increasing Red Strength in New York Boroughs

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The amazing success of Communists in stealing control of American labor and political organizations was pictured here recently by Louis Waldman, state executive committeeman of the American Labor Party.

He said that Communists had penetrated so deeply into the party that it would be practically impossible to prevent them from dominating it completely.

Speaking at the third annual convention of the Social Democratic Federation, which is affiliated with the Labor Party, Waldman asserted that the party's executive committee had "allowed Communists to penetrate and use the party as their united front for political purposes."

Some committeemen themselves are Communists, he declared.

Relating the deplorable situation in the New York area, he said it was "hopeless" to try to regain control from the Reds in Queens.

"In Manhattan," he said, "Communists have captured most of the clubs. In Brooklyn some clubs are dominated by Communists. In the Bronx the situation is somewhere between that in Manhattan and Brooklyn. But in Queens the situation is hopeless."

Communist activities, Waldman revealed, included the unrestrained distribution of Red propaganda at meetings of American Labor Party groups. He said party members were urged during last year's election campaign to support Israel Amter, Communist candidate for congressman-at-large.

Waldman's disclosures are not isolated examples of Communist infiltration and growing influence in American social and economic life.

They are striking illustrations of how well the American agents of Soviet Russia are duping unsuspecting, well-meaning, but discontented Americans. By boring from within the framework of American organizations the Reds are able to present a false American front to camouflage their subversive activities.

By spouting "Americanism" and concentrating on America's unfortunate jobless and its laboring men, the Stalinites constantly are misleading more and more erstwhile good American citizens. Their methods include lying, misrepresentation and general duplicity—anything to arouse discontent, confuse issues and generate class hatred.

They even have gone so far as to deny the proclaimed objectives of the Communist Party—overthrow of the American government, scrapping of the United States Constitution, and substitution of dictatorship wherein Christianity is barred.

To counteract the Red threat to American democracy and religious freedom, Americans must purge their own groups of Red agitators rather than allow those units to become Communist "fronts," as so many unions and other organizations have become.

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War Scares Should Be Made Penal Offense

Msgr. Jackman, Holy Rood Church, Watford, Herts, England

"It should be made a penal offense for any paper to publish war-scaring news or opinions. It is positively wicked the way the papers are ruining trade and business, alarming women and enervating men with their rumors, guesses, hints and suggestions as stupid as they are childish, on threats of war.

"Who wants war? Not Germany, at any rate not with England or France, as she is not in the least interested in them. She is interested in the east of Europe, and as the route is barred by the axis, England and France can do nothing there. Not Italy, who no longer relies upon the support of Germany, and left to herself, will no doubt claim parity on the Mediterranean, but by negotiation and by a bit of bluff, if possible. Spain will be fed up with war, when she has settled her own troubles, and will be far more inclined to copy Portugal, an old friend of England, than Italy.

"In any case, England will not be attacked for a generation or two. Germany has built the Rhine fortifications for defense, not for attack, and she is not so mad as to burn her fingers on this side of the Rhine, where she has no interests at stake. Italy is too far away, and if she fought England, it would be in the Mediterranean, and nowhere else.

"The only possible danger of war for England is in the empty home and cradle, but that will only tell in sixty years. So let us sleep in peace. We are not interested in the dirty game of politics, but in this case, it interferes with the sleep of the Holy Rood parishioners, and in this we must be interested."

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Saturday night, June 10, marked the closing hour of the great "Anti-War Essay Contest" of SOCIAL JUSTICE and nothing remains but the judging of the submissions and distribution of the prizes.

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New York Herald Tribune, June 4

Radio Campaign Planned To Fight Anti-Semitism

Committee Says Aim Is to Expose Father Coughlin Talks

The Jewish Peoples' Committee plans to inaugurate this fall a nation-wide radio campaign to combat anti-Semitism and to counteract "the propaganda for intolerance" attributed to the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, of Detroit, it was announced yesterday by William Weiner, president of the committee.

Mr. Weiner said that the radio programs would originate in Detroit and would center around a series of addresses by outstanding Americans. He said that the campaign would be designed primarily "to expose fully the distorted and inflammatory addresses of Father Coughlin."

Mr. Weiner said that a special effort would be made to have the broadcasts reach rural communities which he said were "more susceptible to anti-Semitic propaganda than urban communities" because of the lack of counter-statements. He reviewed the activities of Father Coughlin's followers in New York City recently and said that "these incite men to riot are of a deliberate character resembling closely the Nazi technique of incitement used in Berlin and other German cities before the rise of Hitler."

The radio broadcasts will be one feature of a five-point program to combat anti-Semitism adopted by the committee at a recent meeting in Steinway Hall. The program also calls for a visit to Mayor F. H. La Guardia and the sending of a petition to President Roosevelt to urge the enactment of a law to make defamation of any religious or racial group a criminal act.

Father Coughlin will be "counteracted" over a nationwide radio network on the grounds of anti-Semitism—although Father Coughlin is NOT an anti-Semite.

He is to be fought by the Jewish People's Committee because of his "propaganda for intolerance"—although he has asked religious Jews to join him in his battle against un-American Communism.

Subversive interests who oppose Father Coughlin for the only apparent reason that he is seeking to save America from the influence of Moscow and internationalists are swarming for their most vicious attack.

The Jewish People's Committee will, no doubt, have no difficulty in venting their wrath against the Radio Priest over the great national networks which denied Father Coughlin the air.

BUT—

In order to meet this attack, and to hold high the torch of genuine Americanism against the oncoming blackness of Communistic night, Father Coughlin MUST extend his privately-bought radio time until every American home in the nation is reached.

The Jewish People's Committee, you may be sure, is well financed. Any group dedicated to "stopping" Father Coughlin can rally millions of dollars in an hour.

But—

The radio speeches of Father Coughlin are dependent for their continuance on the contributions of those who BELIEVE in preserving American liberty under the Stars and Stripes and the Constitution.

They are dependent upon your contribution of $1, $2, $3 or $5. If you are in comfortable circumstances, your donation of $10, $20, $50 or $100 will help Father Coughlin to meet this new attack.

The bars are down. Anti-American forces are gathering strength to silence the only voice in America which fearlessly speaks the TRUTH.

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INQUIRY SEEKS TO FIND REAL ENEMIES OF AMERICA

MORE QUESTIONS RAISED THAN ARE ANSWERED BY DIES COMMITTEE QUIZ

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Can the United States be saved by any mere Congressional investigation of un-American activity and a publication of committee findings?

This is the question which official Washington and much of the nation is asking after more than a year of hearings by the "Special Committee to Investigate un-American Activities and Propaganda" under the chairmanship of Congressman Martin Dies of Texas.

An attempt to write effective legislation as an aftermath of the investigation raises more questions than it answers.

For example:

A "*Bill to Require the Registration of Certain Organizations*" (*H. R. 4907*) has the support of the Dies Committee.

This law undertakes to define "Communist," "Fascist," etc., as any organization which "advises, advocates or teaches" the *overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence.*

All that the Communist Party need do to evade registration under the act would be *officially to repudiate* "overthrow by force and violence." This the Communists have already done.

Another paragraph provides: "(b) The term 'anti-racial' or 'anti-religious' organization means any organization in the United States which *believes in, advises, advocates or teaches hatred toward any class of people* in the United States on account of the race, religion, economic condition, or social status of such class."

Obviously, no organization will profess or admit that it "teaches hatred," but in the hands of an unfriendly court and jury from the "other side" almost any militant group of patriots could be convicted. The "smear-Coughlin" campaign in the Jewish press charges, unjustly and inaccurately, that Father Coughlin and SOCIAL JUSTICE "teach hatred" for the Jewish people.

Section 2 of the bill requires every "Communist, Fascist, anti-racial or anti-religious organization in the United States" to register with the Secretary of State within 30 days.

Now, who is to say what organizations come under the act? If it were to be left up to the Dies Committee, Counsel Rhea Whitley and his crew of F.B.I. investigators, everybody would be a suspect. "A plague on both your houses" has become their attitude after months of investigation.

Numerous volunteer informers have appeared to "tell on" their opposition. All, by their own definition, are patriots exercising vigilance to save America — whether anti-Fascist or anti-Communist. But the statement of Maj. Gen. Moseley assailing subversive Jewish influences was stricken from the records of the hearing (see SOCIAL JUSTICE, June 12). And Committee Counsel Whitley repeatedly slurred Father Coughlin before the hearing, although the Radio Pastor had not been called before the committee, nor had any evidence accusing him of anti-racialism been presented to the hearing.

There is indeed a grave question whether the Dies Committee itself has not taken the first step toward Fascism in the United States. The legislative attempt to "define" who are the nation's foes is precisely what Stalin, Mussolini, Hitler and other dictators have always done.

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